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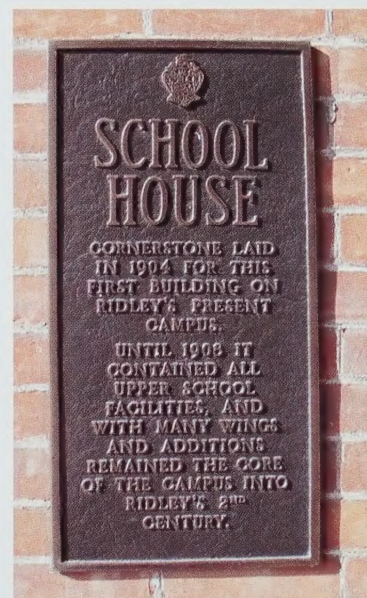
### **Jonathan Leigh**



Jonathan Leigh, who was the unanimous choice of the Board's Search Committee, has been Head of Blundell's School, Devon in the UK for twelve years. Prior to that he taught History at Cranleigh School, where he was successively Department Head, Housemaster and Deputy Head. Educated at Eton and Cambridge, Jonathan is a family man, married to Emma and father of Isabel and Charlie (19 and 17), and he is a sports enthusiast and fine tenor singer. He also confesses weaknesses for horse-racing, Labradors and France!

We look forward very much to the Leighs taking up office in January, 2005. Rupert and Judy Lane will remain in post until Christmas, 2004, to ensure a smooth transition.

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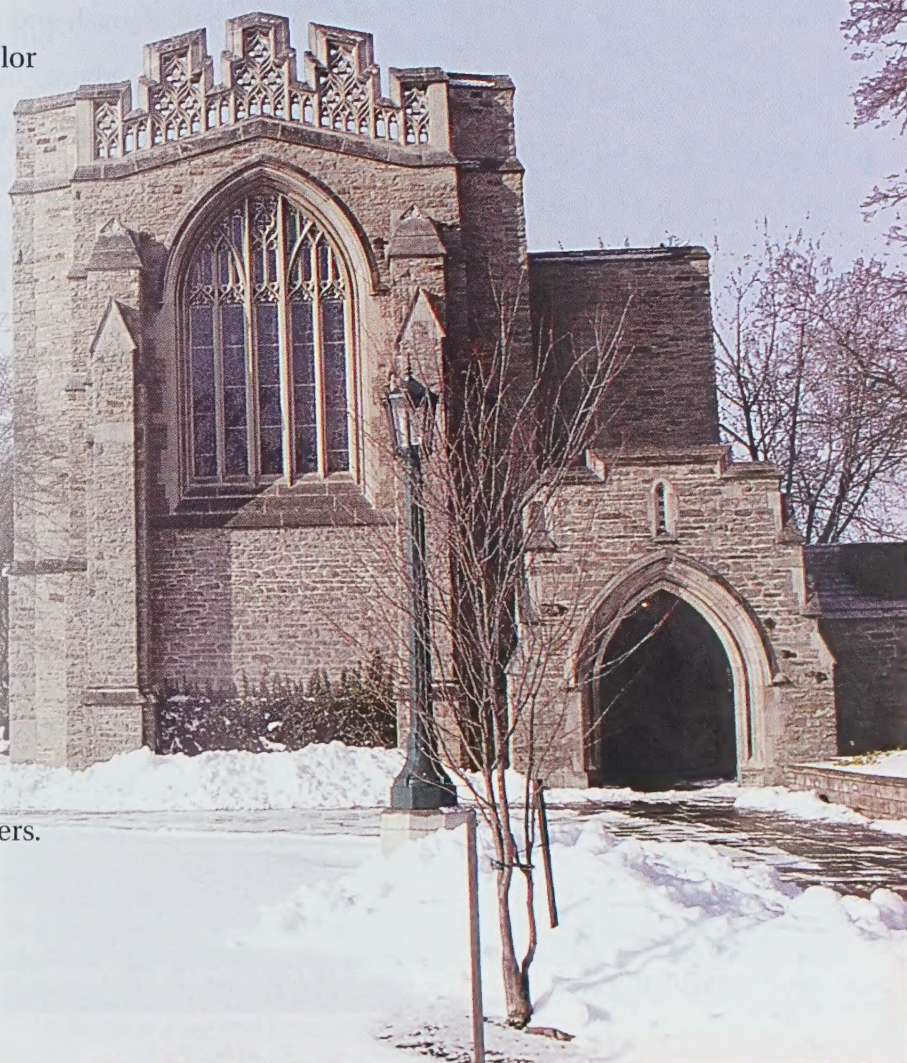
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Middle School students pose with a Eton jacket, vest, collar and cap from the 1930s. The clothing belonged to Bill Hilton '36, and was a gift to the school from Alfred Chapman '45.



## BRIEF ENCOUNTERS - with enduring tradition

During February Judy and I had the good fortune to visit the Mexican arm of the Ridley College Association, a flourishing outpost of Ridley support, skillfully nurtured by Nadine Karachi-Estrada (OR'87) and the Faes family (ORs '76 - '81). It was a memorable trip, which enabled re-acquaintance with some former students and a chance to interview some great candidates for the upcoming year.

While in Mexico, we also took the opportunity to visit the Universidad de las Americas in Cholula, as incongruous a setting as can be imagined for a seat of academia: towered over by the volcano, Popocatepetl, and in the heart of what seemed a frontier town, where a cigar-chewing, poncho-clad Clint Eastwood might have looked more at home than a university don. Nice campus though.

Leap Day, February 29th, found us in the Zocalo (central plaza) of the town, and caught up inadvertently in a huge carnival parade. A procession, hundreds long, variously danced, marched or pranced astride horses or donkeys to the accompaniment of Hispanic rhythms and frequent ear-splitting gun-fire (from ancient, dangerous-looking muskets). Some participants were in native costumes, others wore strange Saracen-like marks. It continued for hours, and seemed a bizarre style in which to herald the beginning of Lent. However, the mood was highly festive, and onlookers applauded with enthusiasm. Enquiries about the meaning of it all were met by a shrugging of the shoulders: "It is the tradition here in Cholula".

My investigation in the university next day revealed that aspects of the parade were in fact deeply symbolic, recalling the rebellion by villagers of the district (who had worn masks) against the occupying French back in the 1860s, although since then things had become confused with the more usual Shrovetide carnival.

It all made me think about our traditions at Ridley—Snake Dance, Amnesty and, yes, Cadets—their importance in our yearly cycle and the impression which they must make on the fleeting visitor. Major festivities matter in communities. They lift the spirits, and they provide a focus for everyone's efforts so that we 'put on a good show' and 'get things right'. There is a frenzy of preparation and an eagerness to make it "the best ever", also opportunities for different kinds of leadership, and a wonderful sense of corporate pride through becoming emotionally involved in the totality of the experience.

And at one level it is possible to shrug the shoulders and reflect casually that "it is the tradition here at Ridley". At another one can know and aver that there is indeed a deeper symbolism—as would Major Sherman and his team, or as did the UDLA Professor of Anthropology who, I learned, had featured prominently in that Cholula Carnival parade. Whatever one's standpoint, the main thing is to throw one's heart into the exercise, to savour the synthesis of the contributing elements, and to play one's part in 'getting it right', so that it becomes a joyous occasion for participants and onlookers.

Viva la tradicion! Viva la connecion Mexicana!  
*Rupert D. Lane*



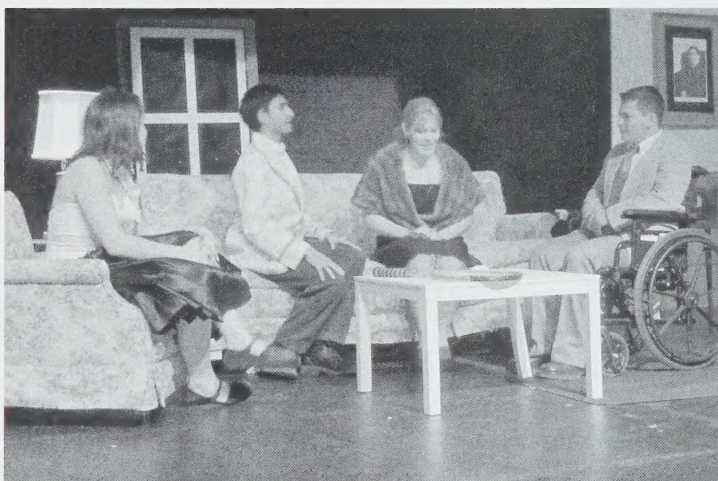
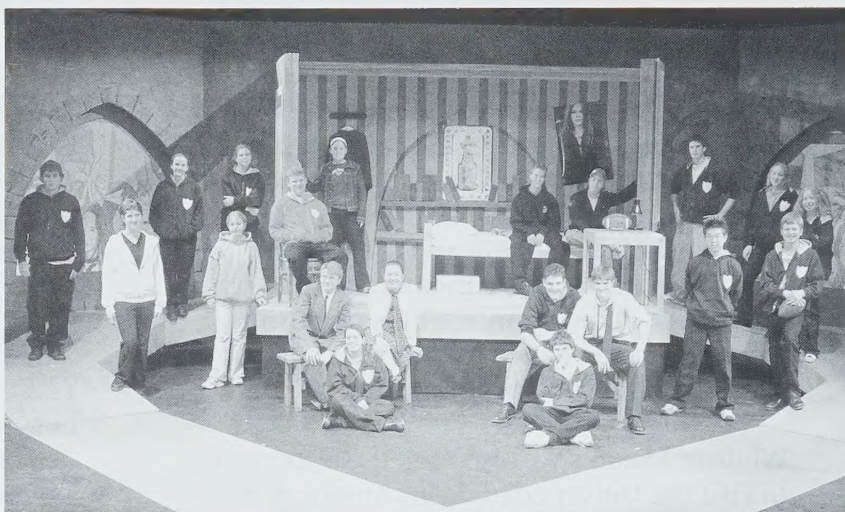
*The Lanes and Brian Iggulden receive mementos of their visit to Mexico City from Nadine Karachi-Estrada '87 and Alex Faes '78.*



## PHOENIX RISING TO PERFORM IN LONDON, ONTARIO AND ENGLAND

After rave reviews and a highly successful three night run at the Mandeville Theatre, the original student collective production of *Phoenix Rising* was invited to perform in London Ontario, March 2nd for the Thames Valley District School Board.

This performance was part of a workshop and panel discussion with prefects and student leaders from schools across London. Leading the workshop was a team of psychologists who specialize in teen crisis situations as part of their board wide Violence Prevention Programme. As well, the play went on tour to England over the March Break.



## DEBATERS SUCCESSFUL

Ridley College Debating Society hosted the annual Niagara Regional Ontario Student Debate Union (OSDU) tournament this term. The school fielded four teams in the tournament: Suraj Rammohan '05/ Nathan Martin '05; Simon Miles '06/ Alexandra Cookingham '06; Sydney Marlow '06/ Sarah Clarke '07; Alicia Lee '07/ Guillermo Romano '08. The tournament determined the top debater in the Niagara region who has the honour of attending the provincial finals next term. Honourable mentions were in order for Alicia Lee (6th), Nathan Martin (5th), and Simon Miles (2nd). Suraj Rammohan placed first overall and will represent Ridley and the Niagara region in Ottawa at the provincial finals April 2-4.

## SEARS DRAMA FESTIVAL

Congratulations to members of *The Real Inspector Hound* who received awards at the Sears Drama Festival Banquet in February.

### Awards of Merit:

Directing - Jasna Deluce '04

Acting - Alan McIvor '04

Award of Excellence in Acting - Cathryn Cade '04





## MIDDLE SCHOOL

As always, this space finds me reflecting upon and writing about the term that has just ended. The trick is obviously trying to distill the highlights of the longest term of the year into a few all too brief paragraphs.

The term started off in earnest with preparations for Middle School's annual dramatic presentation. This year, Mrs. Howe and Ms. Scott took pen to paper and turned Robert Cormier's novel *The Chocolate War* into a memorable piece for the stage work. The show ran for two nights and was a great success.

Hot on the heels of the play, students in every grade were preparing for Middle School's annual Public Speaking Competition. Each year, every student at every grade level creates an original oral presentation. Once written, the speeches are presented at the classroom level with the best in each grade moving on to the school wide competition at the Mandeville Theatre. This year's speeches were well crafted and presented. On February 16th, three students walked away with best speech honours: **Justin Hebert '11** took the junior category; **Gosia Gwynne-Timothy '09** yet set the standard in the intermediate category; and

### U/14 SWIM CHAMPIONS

See mention on this page and in the 2nd term sports results, page 24.

**Britt Franklin '08** took top honours in the senior group. Britt repeated this finish at the annual Optimist Club speaking competition later the same week.

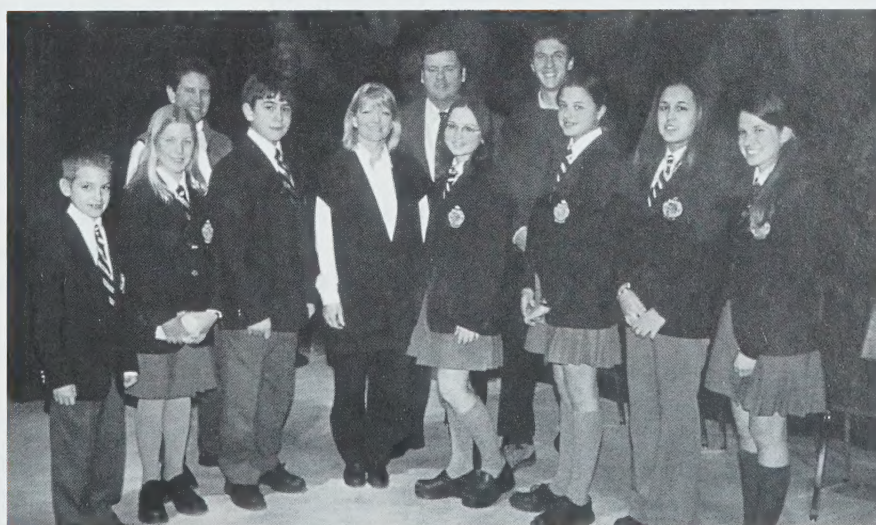
In the classroom, students produced incredible work in all academic subject areas. Whether the final product was a culinary creation for French, a product production model in geography or a PowerPoint in guidance, the array and quality of the student work is truly inspiring. Upper School's future looks strong indeed as we prepare our charges for the challenges they will face at the north end of the campus next year and in the year's to come.

As I write this, the last of our sports teams have finished their season in style. Although the size and co-ed nature of our school sometimes makes it difficult for us to compete on a level playing field with

some of our larger single sex sister and brother schools, we always seem to come up with solid placings at the end of the year's tournaments. This season saw our U14 swim team carry the day at the CISAA Championship at the University of Guelph.

And so another busy term comes to a close as the students disperse around the globe. Some are heading to the sun, others to the ski slopes, while still others head off on an African safari with students from the Upper School. What they all have in common is that they should feel satisfied with the results of their hard work and dedication these past wintry months. And of course, they will all need some rest and relaxation as the busiest term of the year and Cadets loom large on the horizon.

*Bryan A. Auld*



**PUBLIC SPEAKING** Front Row: Justin Hebert '11, Erika Olsthoorn '10, Gordon Fraser '09, Mrs. K. Dorrington (Judge), Gosia Gwynne-Timothy '09, Britt Franklin '08, Jasmin Ozkur '08, Brooke Auld '08  
Back Row Ms. T. Morris (Judge), Mr. P. O'Rourke, Mr. M. Strachan (Judge)



## THE FUTURE IS FEMALE

### Role Models share their Experiences.

Determination. Drive. Blood. Sweat. Tears. These and many more qualities are necessary to achieve ultimate success as a world champion in athletics. The girls of Upper School learned this at the "Future is Female" athletic presentation organized by Ms. Wendy Pak. The "Future is Female" is a program where female athletes act as motivational speakers in presentations specifically designed for women, regardless of their athletic inclination or skill level. Their message, through the use of inspirational stories, helps build self-esteem and reinforce positive self-image through sports. The presentation at Ridley featured personal stories from three-time world rowing champion Wendy Wiebe and Team Canada Olympic Gold Medalist hockey player Sami-Jo Small.

Each presenter began with a short video- Wendy showed us clips of her various races, including the Pan-Am finals and her Olympic heat, and Sami-Jo showed us a Winter Olympic *mélange* culminating in her team's gold medal winning performance and the ensuing celebration.

Wendy continued her presentation by explaining her career as a professional athlete: touching on the highlights such as championships won (she was world champion in the women's lightweight double from 1993-1995), goals achieved (she participated in the Pan-Am, Goodwill, and Commonwealth Games, as well as the Olympics), setbacks (injuries and illnesses, conflict with coaches), her training (three daily workouts, training with the men's team), sources of stress (making the boat, staying in the boat,



*The Girls' Hockey Team with Sami-Jo Small*



*Sami-Jo Small, Wendy Pak and Wendy Wiebe.*

staying in peak condition, maintaining weight, living out West while her husband stayed in St. Catharines) and how she dealt with that stress (daily phone calls home, pride in accomplishments, perseverance).

Though her story was of the highest levels of international competition, her overriding message was of the benefits - physical, mental, personal/social, and emotional- that involvement in sport or any kind of physical activity will provide.

Sami-Jo took a more anecdotal approach, taking us through her athletic career from age six and her first experience as a hockey goalie, playing on the street with her older brother and his friends, through her experiences in track in elementary school and high school, to her university scholarship to Stanford for track and field and her rediscovery of hockey, which led to five seasons as the starting goalie for the Stanford's men's hockey team, to her involvement in Team Canada hockey, her gold medal, and to the present training. She told us about the amount of training that went into preparation for the Olympics - the dedication and team spirit, and the perseverance in the face of seven consecutive losses to the US in the months leading up to the Olympics (where Canada defeated the US in the final to win gold). Her message of loving the game and giving your all was heartfelt and provocative.

The Upper School girls were thoroughly in awe of, and unanimously enjoyed, these two speakers. Their message of the benefits of sports and of healthy, active lifestyles had a deep and positive impact, and many left the theatre re-inspired by these two women who have achieved their goals, and lived their dreams.

*Caileigh Pilmer '05 with Amber Kanwar '04*



## A SPANISH ADVENTURE: un buen viaje!

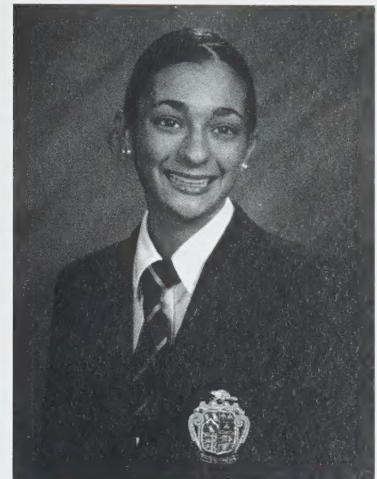
When I applied to go to Spain as an exchange student, I was thinking, "This will be a good experience for me, to actually buckle down and learn the language." But there was so much more to it than just learning the Spanish language.

When I arrived in Guadalajara, Spain, I was nerve-wracked thinking of all the differences to which I had to adjust: the food, the times you eat, the agenda I had to go by during the day, the school which I was to attend, and most of all, the new people. I was terrified about who I was to meet and how I was to communicate with people who could not speak my language! All my fears were overcome when I set foot on the school property. The students greeting me were honestly so nice and unbelievably patient with my Spanish.

The Spanish lifestyle is very different from North America's. At the end of each school day—at around two o'clock in the afternoon—I would go with my new friends to lunch and then hang out until nine o'clock. Then I would arrive home to eat dinner—this was a huge challenge for me for I was always STARVING by dinner time!

There were so many places to go and so many interesting people to meet. And there are many beautiful castles and parks with a lot of history to learn from. Near Guadalajara there are many

mountains and the family I stayed with took me up almost every single mountain. There were animals I never knew existed and flowers I had not seen in Canada.



Going to Spain was an experience I could never have had in a Ridley classroom. There were "Fiestas de Cabinillas" (little town parties) almost every weekend. I was meeting new people every day and learning new words to pronounce. If it had not been for Señora Graham urging me to go on this exchange I would have missed one of the best experiences of my life, as well as meeting a great new friend with whom I still keep in contact.

I most definitely do not regret going on this exchange and would encourage everyone to try it out. It is honestly one of the best ways to learn the language and to expand your horizons by meeting new people and being in contact with different cultures!

*Anna Card '05*



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It is commonly said that the greatest fear of most people in the world is speaking in front of people. Death comes in behind that. As wise comedian Jerry Seinfeld pointed out, "That means for most people, if they have to be at a funeral, they'd rather be in the casket than delivering the eulogy."

Public Speaking has been a part of the Ridley experience for a long time, with the Public Speaking championship award being the longest running award given out by the school. Every school prefect is expected to deliver a speech in Chapel, and then when our Ridley experience is over it ends with hearing the Valedictorian's address at the Prize Day ceremony.

Next year, from October 20 – 24, Ridley will be given a unique opportunity to embrace its commitment to the speaking arts. Ridley is to be the host of the 2004 International Independent Schools Public Speaking Competition. This competition features competitors from nine countries competing in events ranging from parliamentary debating to dramatic monologue. These students are some of the top high school speakers in the world; these are young people who have overcome the world's greatest fear in an extraordinary fashion. Whether they are having a heated debate over Canadian foreign policy, performing an impromptu speech on why Homer Simpson is a source of great wisdom, or presenting an emotional performance from a work of Shakespeare, these gifted talents will cover the entire spectrum, and do it well.

However the competitors will not be the only talents on showcase. The entire Ridley community must pull together, and each person must

do their part to ensure we show the hundreds of competitors and dozens of coaches what we already know, how great an environment this Ridley community is.

In order to ensure the smooth operation of the competition, assistance will be needed from all branches of Ridley life. Whether it is volunteering an afternoon to come and judge events or agreeing to billet competitors for the duration of the event, your help is required. I can say from experience that it is not pleasant to sit in a gym waiting for your billet to arrive, seeing all other competitors leaving, only to find out that the school failed to confirm your billet. We don't want to have to force competitors to sleep in sleeping bags on the front circle, so we appeal to you to do your part.

I have competed in this tournament in each of the past three years, in Winnipeg, Vancouver and even as far away as Oakville. I can truthfully say that each time has offered a new, but great experience.

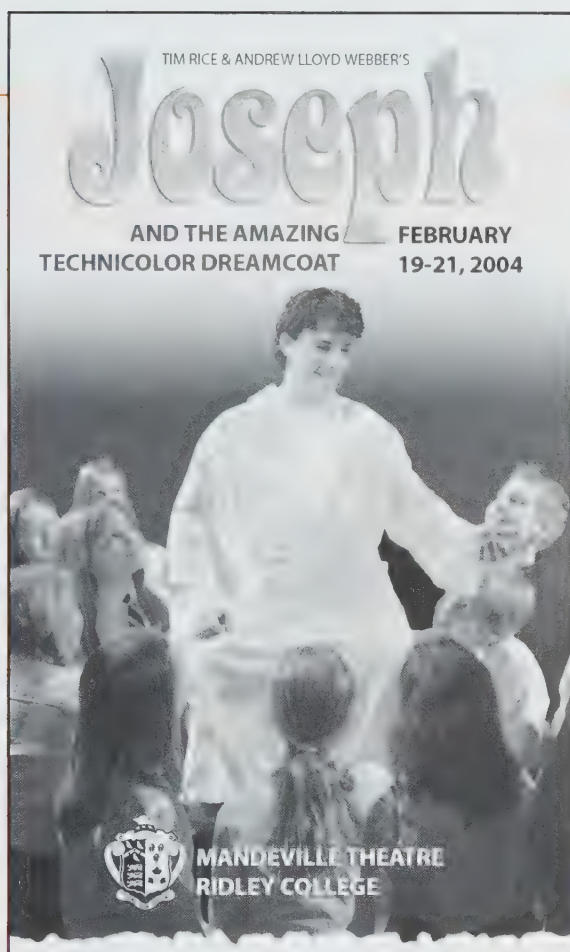
We are all aware of what a great school Ridley is. Let each of us do what we can to ensure that next October, when the competitors arrive, they can't help but be aware of it too.

*Sean Porter '05*

If you are interested in offering your assistance to this event please contact:

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The dramatic community in Ridley has been doubly busy in the 2003-04 school year. With productions like *Phoenix Rising* and *The Real Inspector Hound*, Ridley has outdone itself in touching and impressing audiences from all around the Niagara area. But the students and teachers of Ridley would take it one step further by creating what some would say is one of the greatest productions to grace the Ridley stage in well over two decades. The Ridley production of Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* was a masterpiece of musical theatre. It exceeded expectations and amazed audiences for four performances to over a thousand people who left the show feeling as if they had seen high school drama at its best.

But, what made *Joseph*, as it affectionately became known by the cast and crew, more than any ordinary dramatic production? There are countless reasons. One would be the stellar cast involved. What was asked of this extraordinary group of people is far beyond what would have

been expected for a normal play. *Joseph* required singing, acting, dancing and, in some cases, acrobatics to tell its story. The vocals alone were extremely challenging. But, all who attended the shows would agree that Seth Clohosey '05, as Joseph, Danielle Paolone '04, as the Narrator, Graham Jenner '04, as the Pharaoh, Sean Porter '05, as Potiphar and Meghan Crouch '04, as Simeon, one of Joseph's brothers were more than up to the task. But, it must be addressed that the entire *Joseph* cast took part in the vocal arrangements including a literal choir of Middle School students to add extra colour to a story already painted in vibrant tones and shades.

Another aspect of *Joseph* that can be attributed to its monumental success is the work of the production and direction crew. The good work began with the selection of *Joseph* to be the next musical done at Ridley. This can be attributed to the efforts of the directorial crew of Donna M. Cooper and John F. Sweeney. But, this is not where their good work stopped. From the beginning to the very end, from the selection of the perfect cast to all the arrangements that had to be made on closing night, Ms. Cooper and Mr. Sweeney were consistently at the forefront of activity.

But, as everyone knows, the show doesn't stop when you go offstage. The backstage crew for *Joseph* was responsible for all of the complex stage, music, dancing and lighting cues that kept the whole musical afloat. Luckily for the rest of the cast, the crew was on the ball and able to complement the show onstage perfectly. The complex and beautiful sets for *Joseph*, designed by Giles B. Campbell, were also constructed by Mr. Campbell, Mr. Doug Anderson and the backstage crew.

Finally, what would a musical be without music? That is why an equal share of the credit for *Joseph's* success can be set-aside for the pit orchestra. Under the skillful conducting eye of Ridley teacher, Clyde Dawson, the orchestra was able to give the show the music it needed to come off without a hitch. This year the orchestra was made up of students, faculty, and professional musicians, mixing styles and disciplines to perfectly complement all the singing and dancing on stage.

In all, *Joseph's* success cannot be attributed to one person or aspect of the show. Just like the show itself, it was the work of all those people involved, on, off and below stage, that elevated the musical to stellar proportions.

Cory Linehan '05



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Silent Auction

Wine Auction

7:30 P.M.

Dinner

Silent Auction staggered closing

Tops and Tails

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Live Auction

10:15 P.M.

Fireworks Display

10:30 P.M.

Dancing to *Timmy and the Jets*

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# Strong Futures need Strong Foundations



*Michael J. Sabia, stands with former classmate Paul Iggulden '72 (left), wife Hillary Pearson, Alan Kling '72 and ex-faculty Nat Caters.*

I have a job that keeps me away from home many nights. But not tonight. Tonight I'm home. Home again here at Ridley. And I thank you for the opportunity.

I was raised here. As were so many who had the privilege to be part of this place. Yes, I was raised here — and sometimes in ways that today seem a little odd. A little oddly Dickensian. Think about asking permission to step on a floor in the Upper School. Not once, not twice but three times everytime. And then standing, stranded in a stairwell waiting for some exalted Buddha-like creature called an "old-boy" to grant my unworthy

wish. Harry Potter has nothing on that scene. And what about the tact and diplomacy learned from prefects in their "gentle" suggestions that we new-boys were a few steps short of being fit to walk on the planet. And of course, "hours", physical hours — no matter how you cut it, with my relatively limited athletic gifts, these were no-win propositions. Whether I was being punished or a few years later in meting out the punishment myself, these were utterly physically unbearable.

Beyond these memories of a boy's life, more important memories endure — memories of teachers and friends. I was raised here by great teachers — the best challenged not only my intellect, but my sense of duty and right. I was shaped by the traditions of this place. Most of all, I was raised here by friends and peers — some conforming, some aspiring, most rebelling. But always pushing, prodding, encouraging — in a word, building, building each other. Changing each other. And that's the magic of Ridley. What this place is really about. What I find so admirable about this school and the best of others like it, is its seemingly endless capacity to build on its past to re-invent itself — to adapt to changing times. And to do it over and over again. To constantly find new ways of achieving that special chemistry between authority and autonomy — between knowledge and discovery that is so important in delivering on this school's fundamental commitment to excellence, service and leadership.

And it's never been more important. Consider our times. What is remarkable about our times is not that they are changing. That's true always. It's why Ridley is a far different place today than when I was here along with the Flintstones in the 60's and 70's.

What is remarkable today is the speed, the velocity, the acceleration of social and economic change. Today new ideas, new players undercut received wisdom fast. High school students sitting in a biology lab splitting strands of DNA. And even in the Middle School, kids routinely making CD's — using technology with a mastery that is often

## Michael J. Sabia '72 addressed the Family Guild in February

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beyond our belief – utterly nonchalant it is so skilful. That's change. Ours is a world where invention paradoxically has become a standard operating procedure. The true hallmark of an enduringly progressive society.

These are great times – with great potential. Technological change accelerates like never before. Look at the world of telecommunications and computing, a world that I have the privilege to work in. Today, 320 gigabytes of hard drive storage – enough to store about 64 full-length movies – fits into a nice, slim lap top computer. In the 70s when I was here, a good personal computer had 256 bytes of memory – enough to house not a full length movie – but a full length e-mail.

Digitization and the creation of the microchip are at the centre of these changes. Consider that in the past 40 years, the performance of microchip technology relative to its cost has improved 10 million times. No other technology has even remotely approached this level of performance. Today we have microscopic transistors that are actually smaller than the influenza virus. By 2007: microchips with a billion transistors. By 2011, a transistor structure smaller than a human DNA strand, the minute infrastructure of life itself. The microchip has supercharged progress. Think mapping the human genome. The exploration of Mars. In fact, at the turn of the 19th Century, the sum total of human

*"you can store the contents of a 150,000 volume library on a device the size of a match book and send it across Canada in one second."*

knowledge was doubling every 100 years. Today, it doubles every 18 months!

And there is nothing on the horizon that will slow this velocity of technological development. The possibilities seem limitless. Take the transmission of data. Incredible strides have been made in fibre optic technology – voice, data and video signals converted into bursts of light, beamed through a glass fibre the thickness of a human hair. Using fibre optics, my voice will travel around the world more quickly than it will carry from one end of the Upper School Great Hall to the other. Distance is dead.

Consider the science needed to make glass so pure that if you shine a beam of light emitted by a laser, it reaches the other side instantly – without distortion: even if the glass is a block ten kilometres thick. And the lasers we use to transmit information are themselves almost magical – turning on and off in bursts of "0's" and "1's" as many as 40 billion times a minute. No, 40 billion times a second!

Today you can store the contents of a 150,000 volume library (five times Matthews Library) on a device the size of a match book and send it across Canada in one second. And on the drawing board? Technology to increase that to the equivalent of a 500,000-volume library. All in the blink of an eye.

These high speeds and high volumes are the foundations of the Internet as we know it today. At first, the net didn't get much attention. Then came the killer application

— e-mail — followed quickly by the world wide web and search engines to scan it. Immense amounts of data were digitized and made web ready. Knowledge, and access to it, was commoditized. The Internet is revolutionizing the telecom business — my business. Internet protocol – the lingua franca of our age — permits computer chips to speak to one another. In so doing it opens the possibility of connecting any device and any content to every device. An interconnected, interoperable world. This is powerful. Today, we are beginning to send voice over the internet. Soon it will be the only way we connect voice-to-voice, person-to-person, device to device. IP will enable the "broad-band home" – the wired home of your future.

Let's go on a quick tour. The Kitchen? Your appliances are on-line. You can turn them on and off from virtually anywhere. Download an interactive cooking show to a video screen on your refrigerator. The oven will take instructions from your cell phone. And your phone will double as a camera. You'll be able to better monitor the sources of information your children are accessing. A fire-wall will protect your personal information, filtering viruses.

In the family room, your multimedia entertainment and information centre. Your television features video on demand. Your T.V. will be interactive – allowing you to chat with friends over the internet or select camera angles for

Hockey Night in Canada! Your personal video recorder will be networked. Sending hours of video over the Internet as if it were simple e-mail.

Your home office – a focus on personal productivity. One "mail box" for all your voice mails, e-mails and faxes. You'll store your work and do data back-ups in secure on-line facilities. Risk free. Worry free. In your child's room, it's about getting and sharing information and entertainment. Video messaging capabilities. Legal downloads of high-quality music, video clips and networked games. Your children's X-Box and play station are already IP enabled.

Most learning will be done on-line, usually collaborating live with classmates. My 11 year-old daughter does it today. Taking virtual tours of museums located around the world. Relying on visuals and video to gain better understanding of complex issues. This is a world of no barriers – where the world literally comes to the desk-top. This is a world of immediacy. One where the communication of knowledge and information is instantaneous and global. We have only begun to see the impact that advanced communications will have on our lives. On how we relate to one another across the street and around the world. How commerce is done. How the arts are performed. How knowledge is managed.

Indeed, this is powerful. Powerful enough to better educate our children. Challenge them intellectually. Motivate them with unique tools that expand their horizons

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### The Joy of Archives!



A few weeks ago a woman from Bancroft wrote us an interesting letter asking for information on the Canadian artist Gordon E. Payne. She had acquired a painting from her mother's estate and knowing that Payne had once done some Ridley sketches, she asked if her painting had more than intrinsic value. This letter prompted some fascinating research into the life of this lesser known artist, led to interesting contact with Robert Bateman and prompted a delightful lunch and tour of the Arts and Letters Club in Toronto.

Payne was born and raised in Niagara Falls. After high school, he studied at the Albright Art Gallery in Buffalo and at the Ontario College of Art, subsequently becoming a successful commercial artist. Between 1928 and 1930 he sketched his series of buildings at UCC, Ontario Ladies College, Appleby and Ridley. 300 copies were made of each series, all interleaved with tissue and bound between stiff grey covers. Presumably these were sold to alumni. The original sketches in Ridley's case, hung in the corridor near the headmaster's office well into the 1970s before they 'disappeared'.

After World War II, Payne set up Canada's largest private school of art. This was located on the top floor of the ancient Arts and Letters Club in Toronto and for 13 years, he taught and painted. It was early in this period that one of his most successful students, Robert Bateman, received instruction. In 1958 he retired to Nova Scotia to continue painting. His work is said to be in the realistic style – landscapes, seascapes, houses, grasses, wharfs, lobster shacks and the like. His work can be found at the AGO, the National Gallery, and in Nova Scotia in particular but most of it is held in private collections. Gordon Payne died in 1983 at the age of 92. He is buried in Niagara Falls.

If anyone in the Ridley family has an original Payne, we would be happy to know of it. It is always interesting to embellish any footnote from Ridley's history. Ridley does have a valuable art collection and a new catalogue of our treasures is under construction.

*Paul E. Lewis, Archivist*

**P.S.** Jim Chaplin '52 sent us an odd request recently. He remembers a Lower School song which had the words "whichever the king shall reign shall be the "The Vicar of Brae" or something similar. Does anyone from the late 40s remember this song? We would love to solve this mystery.

# RIDLEY



## A SKETCH-BOOK

BY  
*Gordon E. Payne*



## 1904 - A Building Year

After the great fire of October 25, 1903, which destroyed the old Springbank property, plans were quickly set in motion for the construction of a new school building on the western side of the canal. The disruption of school routines was incredibly minimal. The vacant Stephenson House on Yates St. was quickly leased and St. Thomas' Church provided the classroom space. Actual lost academic time was less than two weeks and only two boys from the 70-student Upper School body did not return to Ridley.

In the week following the fire, a building committee was set in place to procure estimates. In November, a bond issue was prepared to raise \$60,000, and Ridley President J. Herbert Mason (the president of Canada Permanent Mortgage) was authorized to execute the mortgage. The Toronto architectural firm of G. M. Miller & Co. was engaged in December and their sketch of their finished product became the postcard which appears below.

In February, 1904, Newman Bros. of St. Catharines won the contract to build the new school. Their construction price came in at \$63,000. This company, still prominent in St. Catharines, also bought the old school property and would, in due course, build many of the houses on College St. That same February, Dr. Miller was authorized to travel to England to obtain subscriptions toward the new building.



The first materials were on site late in February, 1904, and the first sod was turned by the President in March. Prize Day, late in

June, 1904, took place in Nicholls Hall, Ridley's gym and rink. After the prize proceedings, everyone trooped up the drive for the laying of the corner stone. The silver trowel was handed to Herbert Mason and the stone was sealed (the trowel may be seen in the case beside the Reception Room). The roof was on the building by early September and with a flurry of finishing touches and new furnishings in the fall, the new Upper School opened new doors to excited students in January, 1905 . . . within budget and ahead of schedule!

A tremendous 14 month transformation had occurred.

*Paul E. Lewis, Archivist*



Construction photo late September, 1904.



in their way. Power to help us create communities that are more inclusive. Cultures that find ample avenues for expression. Power to make governments just a little more responsive, more transparent and accountable.

Ladies and Gentlemen: I am convinced that opportunities abound. Despite Iraq, SARs, the vagaries of the stock market – and the odd home grown political scandal – let's not lose sight of the fact that the glass is not half full – it's three quarters full of opportunity – of potential.

But the key — the key to this great potential is leadership. Because technology only creates the opportunity. It takes leaders to seize them. And it is a special brand of leadership required for these high velocity times. Leadership built on three propositions.

First to lead in these times is to speak plainly. To tell it like it is. To be open, transparent. Honest. In the aftermath of Enron and the white collar perp walk – how could it be otherwise? Where once we may have deferred to leaders, experience has taught us to question. We demand that leadership prove itself, earn our respect, our trust, everyday. Earn it with frank open discussion. With accountability. Sounds good. But it's hard to do.

Second proposition: to lead today is to challenge convention – and look beyond it. A kind of "creative iconoclasm," I suppose. It's having a mindset that understands what got us "here", likely won't get us "there" and that tomorrow will demand yet another approach. It's about being committed to invention and re-invention. It's about recognizing innovation is the only path to sustained success. It's about questioning cherished beliefs constantly. And that requires perspective – a perspective that takes nothing for granted.

Third and final proposition: to lead is to listen – to learn. In today's high-velocity world where everything is connected to everything else, knowledge becomes everything. A leader knowing more – or knowing more deeply – just isn't enough. It isn't practical.

Today knowledge is distributed across vast organizations and networks. The challenge for the leader is to get out there. And listen. Adapt. That's when the learning happens. It is in the listening that the learning occurs. Show me a leader who excels at learning and I will show you a leader who excels.

And of course that brings me back home again to this place. I think leadership is as easy to describe as it is hard to do. It's speaking plainly. It's challenging convention. It's listening. Doing it well rests on a strong sense of self; on an endless curiosity; and on never losing perspective – a broad perspective built on diverse experiences.

That's what Ridley's been teaching for a long time. It's never been more important. When my class left here a little more than thirty years ago, we had opportunities – great ones. But I am convinced that the students here today have opportunities in an inter-connected fast-moving society that are orders of magnitudes greater. That's as it should be. I guess that's what progress means. Making sure they are ready to lead – to drive change, to serve – is important work. Because tomorrow will only be as good as they make it.

Ladies and Gentlemen: in collecting my thoughts last weekend for this evening, I flipped through Richard Bradley's & Paul Lewis's *Ridley: A Canadian School*. Reflecting my usual depth of thought I never made it past the dust jacket. Because on the back is a lovely, small sepia-toned photograph of Terry Cronyn watching the First XI on a beautiful spring day many years ago. I looked at that picture. And I had a great sense of pride in what this school stands for – in the contributions it has made– in the leaders it has formed. But paradoxically in looking back, I had an even stronger confidence in its future.

And that's the point. Strong futures need strong foundations. So the work of this Guild is indeed important. Important in building and maintaining Ridley's foundations. Important in building bridges to a world of opportunity.

Michael J. Sabia '72

## Welcome aboard to ...



**Sarah C. Brooks**  
Admission Associate  
Advisor and House  
Team Member  
Coach: Swimming  
Hockey, Softball



**Nasrin L. Gilbert**  
Departments:  
English, Drama  
Coach: Basketball,  
Softball  
Theatrical Productions



**Marissa A. McHugh**  
Departments:  
English, Drama  
Coach: Track & Field,  
Volleyball  
Theatrical Productions



**R. Bruce Mutch**  
Admission Officer  
Assistant Housemaster  
of Dean's House  
Coach: Hockey,  
Lacrosse



**Chris Theijsmeyer**  
Department: Science  
Coach: League Sports,  
Lights Camera Action

**Middle School Junior Masters:**  
Kirsty Hall, Giles Lane, Tracy Pickering,  
Emily Stonebridge and Matthew  
Strachan.



## THE PG YEAR = Opportunity

"A year ago, could you have imagined how well this year would turn out?"

Mrs. Loat – Trish to many of us, and a front line Guidance counsellor at Ridley – asked this question recently of a PG student. Brett Rumble had just won two gold medals in swimming at OFSSA, and had just received acceptance from a top choice university, Bishop's in Quebec.

That moment, Brett's achievement, her promise of a bright future is precisely what the PG year is all about. Ridley did not invent PG; in fact, it is a century old practice in the very best New England schools (Andover, Choate, Hotchkiss, Deerfield and many more). We do, however, have lots of experience to call upon since a fifth year, or Grade 13, has been taught at Ridley for decades, and many of us felt it had great merit for success in university and life beyond.

Now, through Ministry dictate, Grade 13 is gone, and consequently we have committed to providing students a choice. While the vast majority will follow the new curriculum and graduate at the end of Grade 12, it is also true that one size does not fit all. Parents, as well as students, recognize this and they asked us if we could provide an alternative. The PG model of the New England prep schools was the right answer.

What sort of student chooses PG? Typically, it is a student who knows they could improve in a certain area: athletics, the arts, or academics; or a student who simply wants to broaden and deepen his or her preparation. The new four year curriculum is more concentrated and less flexible than the five year curriculum that preceded it, so some students find they want to add back in some breadth and flexibility of course choice.

The twenty-two PG students at Ridley this year have diverse backgrounds. One student has an "A" average and wants an "A+" average. Another didn't like the

universities he applied to and wanted to expand his options. Another student was short a credit and had other courses he wanted to take before graduating. Yet another was looking forward to playing on a team headed for a championship one more time. In most cases there are a combination of factors.

We sit down with each student and carefully map out a plan that meets his or her specific needs and takes the student to the next level. The Guidance department seeks to fully consult with the family to ensure that everyone has the right reasons and expectations. Once the larger plan is decided, we concentrate on tailoring an academic timetable to ensure that goals will be met.

Academically, we have introduced PG Philosophy as an anchor course for the PG students. Above and beyond teaching the great writers and thinkers of our Western cultural tradition, this course also focuses on academic writing skills and vocabulary – especially vocabulary as it relates to the SATs. Another PG related addition is Issues in Modern Science, a fascinating course examining major topics of scientific development, such as energy and communications among others, and how they affect and change our society. This course has the major benefit of providing a rigorous science credit for those who are not heading to science at university but are interested and want greater breadth in their background.

We want to attract solid, successful students who want that extra year of opportunity. As the programme matures and more people learn about it, we expect not to have many of our own students taking a PG year, rather new students who want to polish their university preparation at Ridley. Know anyone who fits the bill? ...send them to [www.ridley.on.ca](http://www.ridley.on.ca) for further details.

*Simon J. Hall, Director of Guidance*





Fiona Milne, centre, with her gold

*This past fall I had the privilege of meeting Fiona Milne '90 while I was down at the St. Catharines Henley Rowing Course training in my single for an upcoming Head race. Fiona was in town for a few days after a summer of winning medals in rowing.*

*She won a gold in the lightweight women's single at the world rowing championships in Milan, Italy as well as another gold in the lightweight women's double at the Pan Am Games in the Dominican Republic. And she added a silver in the heavyweight women's single too. Knowing that I was going to meet her was exciting but having the opportunity to write about her was even better.*

*Being a first year sculler myself and knowing that Fiona had attended Ridley where she had started her rowing career, I was thrilled when Anne Kubu asked me to do this article on her. Not only was it an opportunity of getting to know Fiona better, but it was a chance to ask her questions that had been on my mind about rowing too ... especially sculling. (Sculling, for those of you not familiar with it differs from sweep rowing because the oars person has two oars rather than one).*

## Fiona Milne '90 Goes for the Gold Interview by Kate Rickers '06

Since October Fiona has been out at Elk Lake at the National Rowing Trials in Victoria, B.C. training to earn a spot for the 2004 Olympics in Athens, Greece this summer. Communicating with her through e-mails gave me the chance to ask her how Ridley impacted her rowing career as well as find out how she became the world class athlete that she is today. It also inspired me with my own rowing training for the Women's English Henley Regatta where I will be competing in June under the coaching of Mr. Alex Wilson, rowing coach at Ridley between 1983 - 1993.

**K.R.:** What do you remember most about being a student at Ridley?

**F.M.:** Ridley memories are filled with friends, chaotic schedules, trying to fit a million things into every day, balancing academics, cadets, musical groups, other extra-curricular activities, leadership roles and sports.

**K.R.:** Who were some of your favorite teachers and why?

**F.M.:** All my teachers were memorable for some reason or another. Rhys Jenkins, for showing us him starring in rock videos, Brian Martin, for his practical application of physics lessons (i.e. Trip to Canada's Wonderland), Nat Caters... just for math, Bio Bob, Richard Wright, now a famous and decorated author. But my coaches Paul Lewis in swimming and Nick Holmes in rowing probably had the most impact on me, as I believe students develop quite a strong relationship with coaches that is different from teachers.

**K.R.:** How did you first get started with rowing?

**F.M.:** I tried out for rowing in Grade 10, just because it was a popular sport at the time and Ridley was always really successful in it. I had never set eyes on a rowing shell or Martindale pond. Rowing had a certain mystery about it, cause you got to leave campus and train on the water, and everyone always talked about how hard it was. I thought I would like to try it and challenge myself. I got cut my first year trying out. Nick Holmes was coaching the senior lightweights, and I didn't make it. I tried out again in grade 11 and trained right through the winter, November-March, before ever setting sights on a boat.



**K.R.:** What Ridley crews were you in and what were your rowing accomplishments with the school?

**F.M.:** 1988: junior lightweight 8+ ("Nick's Chicks")

CSSRA gold JLW 8+ and silver Sr LW 8+

1989: Senior lightweight 8+

CSSRA gold, Brentwood regatta: gold

1990: Senior lightweight 8+: CSSRA

gold, Senior heavyweight 8+: CSSRA

silver, Brentwood regatta gold,

Women's Henley Regatta, UK- semi finals.

The best thing about rowing at Ridley was the great group of girls that I rowed with. We were fortunate enough to have a core group of six girls in this crew for the full three years. We all really pushed each other, were very competitive but good friends both on and off the water. I am still very close with most of my crewmates from Ridley rowing.

**K.R.:** Who were your first rowing coaches at Ridley and what do you remember most about them?

**F.M.:** Nick Holmes was the only coach I had at Ridley. I guess what stands out when thinking about Nick was how completely dedicated and passionate he was about the sport and his crew (us). He always genuinely wanted to get the best out of us and he made us appreciate what it would take to win.

**K.R.:** How did you first get involved with sculling?

**F.M.:** I started sculling in 1995 with the Ridley Graduate Boat Club and coach Jack Nicholson. I had finished my physiotherapy degree at the University of Toronto, and moved back to Niagara to take a full time job at Hotel Dieu Hospital. I thought, well, if I'm back in St. Catharines I may as well row, what else would I do outside of work? So I bought an old wooden single and stated training with Jack. A year later in 1996, I won Henley in the single.

**K.R.:** Over the years, I'm sure you've had many coaches who have taught you a lot about rowing and have helped you become such an accomplished rower. What words of wisdom can you share with me that you have found to be most useful from one of your coaches?

**F.M.:** I think every coach I have had has taught me something. I have been quite fortunate to have had a lot of great people help me along the way, and each one of them has contributed to my success. Whether it is helping my technique, or strength, building my confidence or teaching me what it takes to win each coach has had a great influence on my ultimate success.

One saying I like to think about around race time is one that Paul Lewis posted up around the pool deck. "She only has two arms and two legs".

**K.R.:** Congratulations. This past summer at the 2003 Rowing World Championships you won a gold in the lightweight women's single as well as winning two medals at the 2003 Pan Am Games. With all the gold medals you've won over the years, which gold medal win stands out the most in your mind and why?

**F.M.:** It would have to be the World Championship win in the single. At the World Championships all the best rowers in the World are there competing, so to win at that event really means you are the best in the World in your event that year! I think that's pretty cool.

**K.R.:** You went to the Olympics in 2000 to compete in the lightweight double with Tracy Duncan and currently you are preparing for the upcoming 2004 Olympics in your single. How many years have you been on the National team and how did you get to this level of competition?

**F.M.:** I first tried out for the National Team in 1998 after spending a year in Australia working as a physio, travel-

ing and rowing with local clubs when I got the chance. I didn't know how well I would go at the trials, as I was working full time and training on my own in St. Catharines. The other girls trying out had been on the team the year before and all trained together. I had to write a conditional letter of resignation at my job... if I perform well... I quit, if not, I will be back next week. Once you make the National team it is a full time commitment to training, and racing, and I would have to move to London, Ontario. I went really well in the trials and made the lightweight double, which is the only Olympic class boat for lightweight women, so it is always the "priority" boat. Since then 1998-2002, I have rowed in the lightweight double. Last year 2003, I had the opportunity to row the single at the Worlds, and double at the Pan Am Games. This year I am trying out for the double again and hope to make it onto the Olympic team for Athens.

Reaching this level of achievement still is a bit of a shock to me when I think about it. But it was just a case of setting my goals and striving for



*Interviewer Kate Rickers '06 with her coach, Mr. Alex Wilson (rowing coach at Ridley from 1983-1993). Kate is a grade 10 student at Ridley and will be competing this summer at the English Henley.*

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them. Once I achieved that level, I would raise the bar higher, and go after the next level. It all came in little steps, always trying to improve myself from the last race, the last training session, the last season.

**K.R.:** What is a typical day like training on the National team for the Olympics?

**F.M.:** We are training 3-4 sessions per day now.  
7:30 am: first row of 20 km or close to 2 hours,  
11:00am: second row of 12-16 km or 1+ hours,  
3:30pm: gym session (weights) followed by an erg workout

**K.R.:** You first started rowing for Ridley in 1988, the year I was born, which means you have rowed competitively for the past 16 years. Do you feel as though you've missed out on anything because you've spent so many years focusing on rowing and if so, what would you change?

**F.M.:** I think the experiences I have gained from rowing, far outweigh anything I may have missed out on. There is only a short window of opportunity in your life to pursue this kind of endeavour. The Olympics is something incredibly special and an Olympic gold medal is the ultimate achievement in amateur sport. I think this is a worthwhile cause to dedicate a part of my life towards.

I have put other things on hold to go after my dreams and goals in rowing, but there is lots of time later to do other things. I have managed to stay fairly balanced, continuing on with my career part time, and staying in touch with friends despite moving around so much. Along the way I have met many fantastic people from all over the world and traveled a lot for competition, and training camps. The lessons I have learned and experiences I have had from rowing are invaluable and irreplaceable. I will cherish these years and memories for the rest of my life.

**K.R.:** How did Ridley help prepare you in your younger years for the successes you've experienced over the past few years?

**F.M.:** I think Ridley taught me how to balance things and juggle a lot of commitments. I think Nick taught us how much work it takes to win and what teamwork is all about. Also, I think Ridley helped shape the person I am, which carries over into athletic success.

**K.R.:** What has rowing taught you about most about yourself?

**F.M.:** That I can achieve anything I set my mind to.

**K.R.:** Any future goals?

**F.M.:** Win Olympic gold in the lightweight double in Athens! But beyond that, further pursue my career in physiotherapy and see where it takes me!

*Having had this opportunity to interview Fiona sure has made me realize the level of commitment and dedication she has put in over the years to become the successful rower she is. I will try to remember her words of wisdom this March Break as I head out onto the cold water of Martindale pond to train three times a day with my crew mates for the English Henley. In the end, I've been told that you only get out of something what you put in, and by the looks of it Fiona has put in a lot to prepare for the gold she is going after at the 2004 Olympics this summer.*

*Good Luck Fiona and you can count on us to cheer you on!*

*Kate Rickers '06*



## A ROWING APPEAL

A book with the possible title "40 Years On The Water" is being considered for 2005. A local committee is in place to calculate the feasibility and to measure the interest within the Ridley rowing fraternity. If there is sufficient expressed interest and the required up front funding can come into place, the committee will proceed. A decision will be made in April.

If the project goes ahead, a mailing or e-mailing with details will go out to over 900 rowers in April. Your expressions of interest and your suggestions for up front funding are critical and would be appreciated as soon as possible.

Please send your expressions to Rick Rasmussen, Director of Rowing and Book Committee Chair ...  
2 Ridley Road, P.O. Box 3013, St. Catharines, Ontario L2R 7C3 or e-mail: rick\_rasmussen@ridley.on.ca





Senior Girls' Free Relay Gold Medal Winners and OFSAA Record Holders. L to R: Danielle Hetherington '05, Emily Pinckard '04, Brett Rumble '04 and Renée Lambert '04

What a year for this hard core team!

With determination and talent this small group of individuals forged their way into a strong cohesive unit that supported each other to victory.

The road to OFSAA was a long one from November, when we had to enter the SOSSA zone qualifier for the swimmers who would eventually swim in March. There was no chance of swimming in an event if you did not qualify on December 3, 2003. For a new team coach this was an unrealistic situation . . . I still did not know during tryouts who would be successful in making the team.

Another consideration was the predetermined time lines that would soon come into play in the new year. CISAA competitions were different than the ZONE/ SOSSA/OFSAA ones.

From December 3 when our team won our zone, we had to then work towards making qualifying times and being competitive at SOSSA on February 5. We had just started to build some endurance after three weeks of pool time when we broke for exams and Christmas break. This is devastating down time for a swimmer who needs to build and hold conditioning.

Upon the team's return in early January we began a schedule of weekly meets that assisted us in our preparation for CISAA Championships on February 20 and subsequently, OFSAA on March 2 and 3. Adapting to the ever increasing load of demands unique to a private institute of learning, training sessions were often less than perfect as several swimmers were often missing for a plethora of reasons.

But somehow it all worked out! We were blessed with a group of focused individuals who were able to work on the essential elements as we worked towards our team and individual goals. Workouts became more demanding for those who could handle the additional work. Many necessary ingredients of a successful team were often left up to each person to work on in their spare time . . . gym workouts and visualization were only touched on in our sessions but those that were serious would go the extra mile during any free moments that they had.

Team victories became a habit and certainly one that we did not want to relinquish. All this was a lead-up

## RIDLEY TIGERS CO-ED SWIMMING - A New Coach's Perspective!

to the major OFSAA championships that were held in Etobicoke in March.

Did we stand a chance of winning it all? Not really, as we were up against teams two and three times our size. We had one third less swimmers than our competition that would eventually better our points total. Someone forgot to mention this fact to our swimmers who put on their competitive suits along with their competitive mentality and started over the two days to make believers out of all who were in attendance. The buzz in the stands was RIDLEY.

The adrenalin rushes occurred more and more frequently as the meet wore on. The relays produced the most excitement. From the initial 10th place finish of our junior boys medley relay team (Tony Hughes, Dave Lee, Peyton Bhoorasingh & Hendrik Ophardt, all '06) in the consolations on Day One to their awesome Bronze medal podium visit on Day Two in the free relay in a best time of more than three seconds.

Our senior girls swam to a record medley relay victory first day (Danielle Hetherington '05, Brett Rumble '04, Kristie Irving '05 & Emily Pinckard '04) and made it a sweep on Day Two with another Record swim in the Free Relay (Dani Hetherington, Renée Lambert '04, Brett Rumble. & Emily Pinckard) The girls were Golden.

Day One our senior boys won a Silver medal in the Medley Relay but they were not to be denied on the second day as they entered the free relay seeded 3rd and dug deep to produce a team best time winning the Gold (Jason McCann '04, Jeff Sze '04, Jon Inchaurreaga '04, Santiago Castaneda '06).

Danielle Hetherington and Chandler Rumble had what can only be considered the perfect meet. Danielle shared in the 2 relay wins and scored a Gold in the Individual Medley with a new OFSAA record...three swims...three gold medals...three records!!!

Chandler had to wait until Day Two to get started on her assault, but once in the pool swam to two individual Gold medals in the Individual Medley and the 50 Free.

Personal injury was overcome by our Captains Jason McCann and Brett Rumble who helped lead the way throughout the year.

This was a team effort all the way with everyone contributing and picking up the slack all year long. We have 10 of our swimmers graduating this year BUT the future looks bright for the next year of competition.

Let the momentum continue . . .

*Marilyn Jefferies*



**MIDDLE SCHOOL GYMNASTS - CISAA CHAMPIONS**

The RCMS gymnastics team had an amazing season! We worked hard throughout the term in order to win the CISAA Championships! During the final week we practised hard, and perfected our routines. On the day of the CISAA competition we had two unfortunate injuries, but all else was great. In the Level 1 category Esther Oladimeji '09 placed 4th all round and Amy Christensen '10 placed 3rd all-round. In the Level 2 category Gosia Gwynne-Timothy '09 placed 5th all-round, while Erica Olsthoorn '10 placed 2nd all-round. Molly Kubes '09, our only Level 4 gymnast placed 1st overall in her category. Along with the Upper School gymnastics team scores we were able to win the gold medal. We had so much fun competing and practising this term. The team would like to send a special thanks to our fantastic coaches, Mrs. Howe and Miss Hill.

*Raiana Hummel '09*

**MIDDLE SCHOOL SWIMMING - U/14 CHAMPIONS**

On Monday 8th, 2004, the Ridley College Middle School swim team traveled to University of Guelph to swim in the Junior CISAA championships. In the Under 11 division, we had five young swimmers. Cassandra Difruscio '11, Rachel Kindellan '11, Erin O'Rourke '11, and Olivia Park '11 made the medley relay team. They swam exceptionally well throughout the entire season. Amber Samee '11 swam in both 50 freestyle and 50 backstroke and did very well in both events. In the under 12 division, there were only two swimmers. Samaza Murava '10 and Bret Mortensen '10 were the only two entries from Ridley. Unfortunately, they could not enter a relay, but they both competed in individual races. Both placed quite well in 50-meter freestyle. In the under 13 division, there were quite a few swimmers. The Medley Relay team placed 3rd, consisting of Clark Robertson '09, John Tityk '09, Emily Debenetti '09, and Tyler Hebert '09. In the 50 breaststroke, Alex Foster '09 showed his true talent. Namalee Makuloluwa '09 and Julia Chapman '09 competed in 50 backstroke, both trying their hardest and proving that they can move faster in water than they can on land! Guillermo Ibarra '09 carved through the water like a bullet as he swam 100 meters freestyle. In the final division, we had a total of nine swimmers in Under 14. Unfortunately, we had three of our swimmers, making 12 entries, being unable to swim. These three swimmers trained hard throughout the entire season and it was difficult for them to miss out on this special event. Thank you to Lenniecia Aska '08, Guillermo Romano '09, and Winston Godwin '08. Caroline Klimec '08, Ryan Strum '08, Michael Szejda '08, and Evan Van Alstine '08 competed in the freestyle relay and came in first. Amanda Bylhouwer '08 swam 50 freestyle and she showed what she was made out of. Hyla Nemy '08 competed in the 50 backstroke; she clearly showed which stroke she plans to

continue with throughout the duration of Ridley swimming. Jasmin Ozkur '08 swam in 50 meters breaststroke, demonstrating true talent. And finally, last but not least, Britt Franklin '08, Emily Foster '08, Ryan Strum, and Evan Van Alstine created a dominating medley relay team. Not only did they finish on top, but they beat their original time by five seconds! To all of the Under 14 swimmers' surprise, Ridley collected the most points for our division – 131, to win the Under 14 plaque. Over all, Ridley swimming came in 5th place out of 11 schools.

Each of the swimmers mentioned, created an organized, fast, and tightly knit swim team that had enough team spirit to move the Ridley bus! On behalf of the Ridley swimmers, we would like to thank Miss Scott and Mr. Lane for all of the effort that they put into the swim team. Congratulations!

*Britt Franklin, Lenniecia Aska, Emily Foster '08*

**JUNIOR BOYS' BASKETBALL - CISAA CHAMPIONS**

The Junior Tigers found an eternal rhythm and vibe this year, molding into the most successful team on campus and in Ridley's Junior Basketball history. The squad was able to deal out punishing blows all year-round, leaving nothing on the court and giving their all. The fast-paced but methodical coaching of Mr. Whitty allowed the boys to maximize their potential and reach their goal of CISAA Champions for the year. Captain Patrick "I Can't Be Stopped" McIlhone '06 led the charge throughout the season, producing well needed points, rebounds, and assists and never seemed to disappoint the fans. The Tigers fought through illness, injuries, misdemeanours and girl problems in their climb to the top, but never looked back. The Tiger's season started off bumpy, but was smoothed out perfectly by January, when they won the Carl Dorland Classic at Ridley, showing that they had the talent and heart to be champions. The Tigers were truly something to behold on the court, beating their opponents by a combined 596 to 423. With a perfect 10 – 0 record in CISAA regular season play; the Tigers ran the table and earned home court advantage through the playoffs. When faced with the playoffs, the team went full-blast into their games and demolished St. Mike's and Upper Canada in front of our home crowd. The feat of winning the CISAA Championship and running the table has never been accomplished at Ridley before, making this the most successful Junior Basketball team in Ridley's history. All members of the team contributed to the team's success and much was learned by all of the players throughout the season. There was an even split of grade nine's and ten's on the team this year, giving a solid base for both the Junior and First team squads next season. Good job, Tigers, on an amazing season!

*Patrick McIlhone '06 and Mike Dorrington '06*



**FIRST BOYS' BASKETBALL - CISAA CHAMPIONS**

The 1st basketball team had a tremendous and memorable season, finishing on a high as CISAA Champions. Early in the season, the team dominated their opposition, winning games by an average of 25 points. The team participated in the Freeport Catholic High Christmas tournament, in Freeport, Bahamas over the Christmas break, hometown of Anthony 'Tony' Adderley '04, where they gained valuable experience against the top Bahamian schools. The highlight of the tournament was the tie breaker quarter final game, where Ridley lost by one point to C.I. Gibson, a top ranked team from Nassau.

Early in January, the Tigers continued to beat up on opponents, and it looked as if they were going to run the table. Then disaster struck. Co-Captain, top rebounder, and 2nd leading scorer Tony Adderley '04 broke his wrist in a battle against U.C.C. Ridley, momentum lost, went on to lose that game, and two others in the span of two weeks. The slide was broken up with an exciting and fun-filled 1st annual alumni game which saw many OR's return to play the 1st team. With youth on their side, and excellent coaching (!), the 1st Team defeated the Alumni 54 - 51.

With the outstanding play of MVP and CISAA all-star guard Kevan Quinn '04, and with the help of point guard Cam Phillips '04, shooting guards Tola Alabi '04 and Ransom Hawley '04, the Tigers were solid but yet needed a bit more scoring. Michael Yeh '04, Alex Appleyard '03, and rookie of the year Walt McIlhone '03 began to make big contributions on the scoresheet and the team began to roar again, winning out the last three games of the season to finish second overall with a record of 11- 3, and the league's number one offense and defense.

The Tigers were well prepared for the playoffs, especially with the anticipated return of Tony Adderley, and ran over the U.C.C. Blues 52-43 in the semi final. The team looked forward to the final...a 'grudge match' vs St. Andrew's as they had split games during the regular season. The Tigers dominated the game from the get-go, leading throughout the final, eventually winning 48 - 41 in a crowded, Saints fan saturated gym.

Congratulations to all of the 1st basketball players as the success of the team was directly due to their hard work and dedication.

*Jason Prickett, Coach*

**RIDLEY DANCE COMPANY - MEDAL WINNERS**

It has been a rewarding season for the Ridley College Dance Company. Under the direction of coaches Melanie Smith and Donna Cooper, the season began with a trip to the National Ballet in Toronto, followed by an athletically challenging workshop with afro-dance troupe DoJump! from Portland, Oregon. But the highlight of the season was the Company's slew of terrific

performances at the Dance Extravaganza Competition in Vaughan, just north of Toronto. Ridley Dancers took their show on the road and brought back a bus load of trophies, medals and happy memories of a successful winter dance term.

All 20 Dance Company members were part of the award winning Rockerfeller number, which earned a gold score of 86.5/100.

Tappers Lara Smith '04, Sarah Cumming '04, Brooke Benjamin '05 and Tricia Hatch '06 received a gold score of 83.5 for their lively performance of Jumpin' Jack.

Soloists Pinky Duangdee '06 (84), Morgan Ritch '05 (84.5) and Tricia Hatch (87.5) each took home medals for their impressive solo jazz performances.

But the showstopper was Cell Block Tango, a musical theatre number featuring Tricia Hatch, Lara Smith, Liz Consy '06, Pinky Duangdee, Morgan Ritch and Caitlin Weldon '05. The girls' inspired performance earned a platinum score of 91.5, in addition to special recognition from judges, organizers and the enthusiastic audience.

Special thanks go to Miss Melanie Smith for her terrific choreography and ever-buoyant spirit.

*Donna Cooper, Co-coach*

**GIRLS' GYMNASTICS - CISAA& OFSAA MEDALS**

On Wednesday March 3rd, the Girls' Gymnastics team brought home the CISAA Senior Division and Overall Championships, a feat last accomplished in 2001. Several individual gold medals were also won that day, by Karlina Gravitis '04, (Captain), Adriana Daca '07, Maggie Dempster '04, Molly Kubes '09, Elizabeth Kurusi '07, Theressa Lecraw '04, Megan Mahfood '05, and Lauren McCann '06. Earlier in the season, a subset of the team (Adriana, Karlina, Lauren, Amy MacBeath '05, (Assistant Captain), Lisa Shaw '06, and Jessica Yates '07 won the Silver medal at the CISAA Rhythmic Gymnastics Championship. Just before March break, the team competed in two invitational competitions against OFSAA league schools, bringing home their fair share of medals at those events as well. After break, we continue competition, aiming for OFSAA qualification in April, and then OFSAA itself at Brock University in St. Catharines the first week of May. Look for more accolades in the next edition of *Tiger*!

*Karen Oude-Reimerink, Coach*

**FIRST GIRLS' HOCKEY - CISAA BRONZE MEDALISTS**

With the team losing several seniors from the roster last year, the First Girls' Hockey team took to the ice in November looking to build on the successes of last season. Returning to the team for another season included veterans: Jennifer Dittmer '04 (Asst. Captain), Christina Gittings '04, Kate Knight '04 (Asst. Captain), Meghan McCready PG '03 (Captain), Trish Petrie '05, Courtney Smith '06 (Asst. Captain), and Alanna Vaughan '05. Adding excitement to



the team this year, the rookies included: Brooke Auld '08, Alyssa Clarke '06, Amy Dawson '05, Brianne Jenner '09, Leah Kocsis '07, Bhreagh Sheppard '06 and Chelsea Taylor-Payne '06. And in support of the 14 players above, Kristen Darrell '04 and Eleanor Dean '04 were the spokes to the team's wheel and did a fantastic job as our loyal and dedicated managers.

This healthy mix of new blood and strong veteran leadership, culminated in a team that battled hard through a long season finishing with an overall record of 12 wins, 14 loses and 5 ties. In CISAA action, the team finished with a strong record of 6 wins, 2 loses and 4 ties putting the team in a 2-way tie for 3rd place overall. Highlights of the season included a tie in league play to Nichols and two big wins against a very skilled team from Gilmour Academy in an exhibition week-end show down.

Entering the playoffs, the team battled through the adversity of losing Assistant Captain and team M.V.P. Jennifer Dittmer to a broken arm and won their quarterfinal match against familiar rivals Appleby 4-3 in an overtime thriller in front of a loud and supportive home crowd. The Tigers ran into a very strong and surgical team from Nichols in the semi-finals and fought hard all game before falling to the eventual CISAA Champions. Determined to not be shut out, the team picked up their heads and their game as they defeated the number two ranked Havergal to capture the team's second consecutive CISAA Bronze Medal.

*Bryan J. Rose '96, Co-Coach*

## 1ST GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL - BSS TOURNAMENT CHAMPS

1st Girls' Volleyball, made up of twelve finely tuned athletes, continuously evolved this season as they made their way to become champions of the BSS Invitational tournament in Toronto. The team was led to this victory by their highly able coaches: faculty McHugh and Malyk, and Cameron Crossley '04. Coming fourth in their league, the team's "nice swings" and "awesome digs" showed great promise when they entered the semi-finals of the CISAA championships. Ale Veffler '05 applied her intense mindset of a Karate guru, while Such Joshi '04 had SUCH smart moves. Despite these strengths, the girls were just not up to par that day. Nevertheless, these ladies should feel proud to have so vastly improved on their skills in every aspect of the game. With girls like Jaime Wray Manchec '04 and her powerhouse serves, Sarah Hopkins '04 and her ever improving blocks, Tess DeRose '04 and her short spikes, and Andrea Griffin '04 with her ability to turn the team's frowns upside down, it was no wonder the team had such good chemistry. Led by captain Caitlin Drake '04 who is known for her slick spikes and aftershock movements and assistant captain Laura Lopez '05 who has dead-on accuracy from any position on the court, girls' volleyball brought fans to the stands at their home games and won three out of five of them. Meghan Crouch '04 was always handy for a couple good bumps over to the magical fingers of Jen Malyk '04 and Allison Hotchkiss '05 while Keren Lynch '04 was there with a pinch of a finger. Fighting off beasts, club players, and girls with attitude is not always easy, but the 1st girls' volleyball team pulled it off in fine style.

*Marissa McHugh, Co-Coach*

# ITALY

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*Dr. Ellen Foster and Dr. Wayne Fraser are organizing a cultural trip to the named places during the March Break of 2005. Ridley secondary-level students are invited to join us for 12 days of touring and sightseeing. The trip will include some of the following highlights:*

- Sorrento, Capri - The Island of Dreams, the Blue Grotto, Bay of Naples,
- Mt. Vesuvius, Pompeii et Herculaneum, explore Roman ruins (the Forum, Amphitheatre, the Baths, the Palaestra, Caecilius' house)
- In Florence: walking tour of the city, the Duomo, the David (at the Accademia), the Ponte Vecchio, the Uffizi Museum
- In Rome: the Vatican, Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica, the Spanish Steps, Trevi Fountain, the Colosseum, the Roman Forum
- shopping • supervised free time
- full-time tour guide from Georgia Hardy Tours
- guided tours in English
- eat pasta al dente, devour Gelati, savour cappuccino...

*Tour price includes return flight, hotels, breakfast & dinners, entrance fees, guided visits, full-time guide, and coach transportation in Italy.*

For more information, contact:

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## 97th ANNUAL CADET INSPECTION

May 15, 11 p.m.

## ATTENTION : Classes of '42 and '43

The 16mm film called "Knowledge is Power" which was shown at the St. Catharines Club on Association Weekend has now been copied onto VHS and DVD formats. A number of the members of the above classes expressed an interest in having their own copy. This is a remarkable piece of Ridley history. It was filmed in colour in 1942 and was financed for the war effort by The Ontario Paper Company. The cost is \$42.00 all inclusive. It will be mailed early in May. To order your copy, please phone the Development Office (905 684-1889 ext.2244) and state your mailing address and the format you would like.

## *The Lure of the South Pacific*

**March 2005**

### INCLUDES:

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## ANNUAL RIDLEY LACROSSE ALUMNI GAME

Saturday, May 29th 2:00 pm

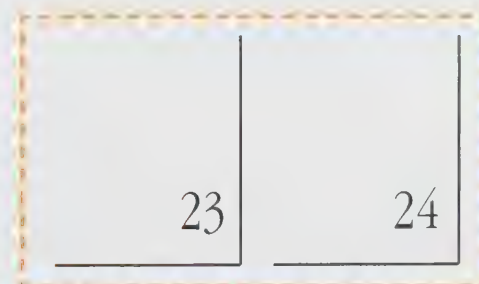
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## FREE REPAIR KIT FOR THE 2004 RIDLEY CALENDAR - JUNE

Oops - how did that happen? Kudos to the first people, my parents Ed and Mae Kubu and Michelle-Elise Burnett '87 who noticed that the 23rd and 24th of June were missing from the 2004 calendar and replaced with the 30th and 31st. I could have used their hawk-eyes when I was having the calendar proof read.



CUT AND OUT AND PASTE IN JUNE

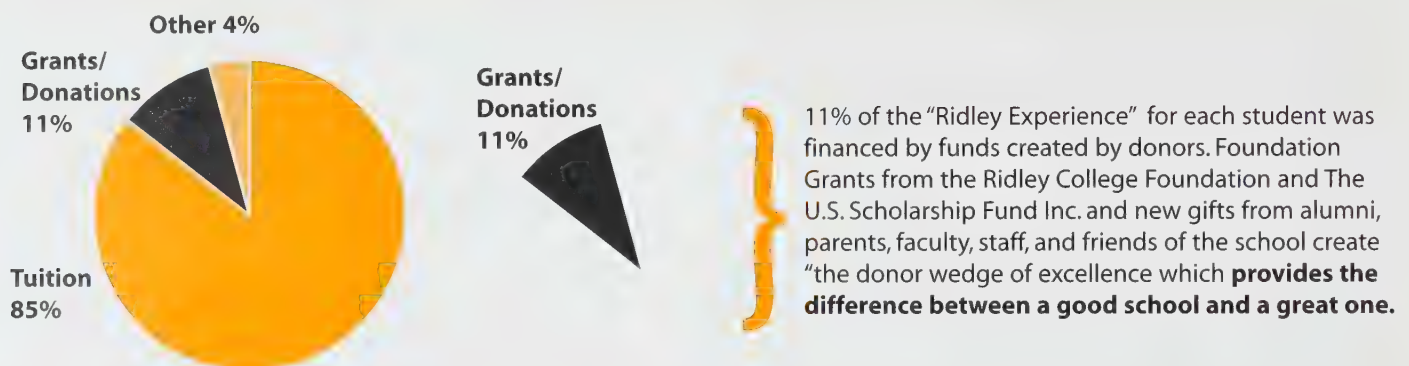


## MAKING A DIFFERENCE - the Donor Wedge of Excellence

Every gift makes a difference, but do you really know the difference your gift has made? **Do you really know the impact of your gift?**

### MEETING THE COST OF A RIDLEY EDUCATION

Below is a chart, based upon the June 30, 2003 year end Financial Statements. It indicates sources of revenue to cover the cost of a Ridley education. No doubt you are surprised to learn that tuition fees only cover 85% of the cost. What makes up the difference you ask? **YOU DO!**

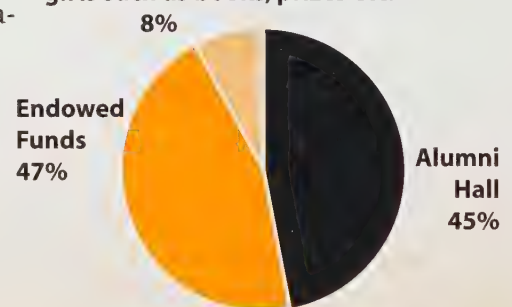


### PROFILE OF YOUR SUPPORT, JULY 1, 2002 - JUNE 30, 2003

The opposite chart indicates where your support was directed, with the lion's share (I should say Tiger's share) almost equally divided between Alumni Hall, (the new Middle School) and Endowment Funds. These endowed funds support Bursaries and Scholarships (21.9% of total donations), Facility Maintenance, Information Technology, Professional Development, Mandeville Theatre, the Chapel, Library, Athletics, Music, Art-virtually every aspect of the Ridley Experience.

The most visible difference your support has made is the new state-of-the-art Alumni Hall, and the renovated and refurbished residences at that end of the campus. Your support has also contributed to our beautifully landscaped campus, and the re-designed Front Circle.

**Additional gifts include campus improvement such as trees, and special gifts such as books, prizes etc.**



What impact has your support of the full Ridley programme made? Here are some recent 'outcomes' of the term just ending, by students and programmes that your generosity has supported:

The Ridley Tigers Swim Team smashed Provincial records at OFSAA in relays and individual events:

- Sr. Girls Medley Relay (Gold Medalists, Record Setters)
- Sr. Girls Free Relay (Gold Medalists, Record Setters)
- Sr. Boys Medley Relay – Silver Medalists
- Sr. Boys Free Relay- Gold Medalists,
- 3 Individual Gold Medals! (one Record Setter)

- The Upper School Gymnastics Team won the CISAA Sr. Division Championship.
- Middle and Upper School Gymnastics Teams won the Overall CISAA Championship.
- 1st Boys Basketball Team won the CISAA Championship.
- Under 16 Boys Basketball Team had an undefeated season and won the CISAA Championship.
- Ridley Dancers won several Gold medals in the Dance Extravaganza Competition and a Platinum medal (score of 91.5).





OFSAA Gold Medal Free Relay & Silver Medal Medley Relay team: L to R: Jason McCann '04, Santiago Castanedo '06, Jeff Sze '04 and Jon Inchaurreaga '04.

- The 1st and 2nd Ridley Squash Teams were Silver Medalists in the CISAA Championships.

**No other school consistently won Gold or Silver medals across the spectrum of athletic championships!**

- The original student collective production "Phoenix Rising" was invited to perform in London, Ontario, for the Thames Valley District School Board. The play was on tour in England this March break!

How do Ridley students fare academically? The Class of 2003, the year of the Double Cohort – had tremendous competition for college and university placement. Here are the stats:

Total number of students : 176

University Bound: 98%

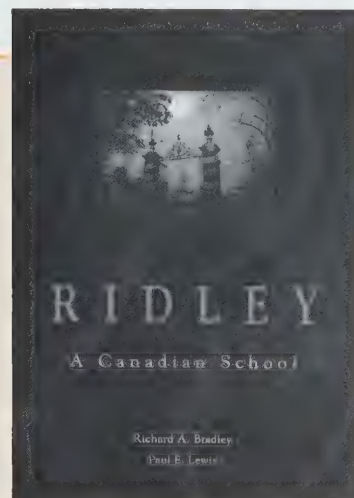
150 students – 25% of the total student body- receive support from Bursaries and Scholarships. Almost 1 in 5 *new* students this year received scholarship recognition for outstanding academics combined with special talents. Imagine the impact on the school without these students who raise the bar for all at Ridley.

## YOUR SUPPORT IS MAKING A DIFFERENCE

*Eva Riis-Culver, CFRE  
Assistant Director of Development*

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## BRANCH RECEPTIONS



VANCOUVER BRANCH RECEPTION



KITCHENER-WATERLOO PUB NIGHT



WESTERN PUB NIGHT



MONTREAL BRANCH RECEPTION

MONTREAL: Part of the group which supported the Montréal Branch Reception. Many thanks to Nathan Culver '01 and Jamie McIntyre '66 who arranged the largest gathering in years and to Clive Caldwell '71 who welcomed us to his club in Montréal.



## SO MANY ALUMNI TO SEE, SO LITTLE TIME

From January to March, the RCA has earned a lot of air miles traveling here, there and everywhere to see all members of the Ridley Family at a variety of functions, events and gatherings. Time certainly flies when you are having fun, and these past few months have been no exception.

Starting the year off, the RCA held our 6th Annual Curling Bonspiel at the Toronto Skating, Cricket & Curling Club. A healthy group of 30 Alumni ranging from the Classes of '39 and '42 to '99 enjoyed a fun afternoon on the ice. Special thanks for Jim Scandrett '39 for hosting us once again and to Alison Giffin '98 for organizing the event.

The first Pub Night of the year was held in Vancouver on Friday, January 24th as Bryan Rose '96 and Bruce Mutch (Admission Office) visited an enthusiastic group of alumni down at the Steamworks Brewery. Big thanks to Joel McLean '95 for booking the event and putting everything together for us. With the success of this year's Vancouver Pub Night, we hope to return in the very near future. The next stop on the Pub Night train was at Zeke's Fuel & Feed (owned and operated by Dave Toye '82) in Kitchener as recent grads from Laurier, Guelph and Waterloo converged at Zeke's for a great evening. Brian Iggulden '67, Jay Tredway '96, Bryan Rose '96, Eva Riis Culver (Development Office) and Tony Sherman (Faculty) braved the February elements to enjoy a few glasses and munchies with the tri-city crowd.

On the sports front, the winter term was busy for a number of our Alumni hockey and basketball players. On Friday, February 13th, First Boys Basketball (the eventual CISAA Champs this season) hosted a

young Alumni team in a fast paced and exciting game. This event was put together through the hard work and efforts of Ryan Bleich '01 and Jason Prickett (Faculty). We hope to carry on with this game next years as the "not-so Old-Boys" look to avenge their loss.

The Alumni hockey team saw a lot of ice over the past while. The team traveled to Buffalo in early January to compete in a small four team warm-up tournament hosted by Nichols. Although the team was winless on this weekend, it was a

weary travelers at Gusto's Restaurant and Bar and a good night was had by all. Thanks for Alex Wilson '00 for his efforts in making this night the success it was. A week later, we were on the road again for the Western Pub Night held at the Barking Frog. Sara Morgan '00 did a fantastic job organizing and publicizing the event as over 60 thirsty Londoners stopped by for a few munchies and light refreshments.

*Bryan J. Rose '96*



perfect opportunity to knock the rust off as they prepared to do battle in the Annual Crescent Cup in early March. Led by Jay Tredway '96, the team took to ice looking to improve upon last year's Bronze medal. Backstopped by Dave Tovee '02, the team lost a heart-breaker in the finals to Nichols as the game was decided by penalty shots.

March was also the month for a few more Pub Nights. Bryan Rose '96 and Bruce Mutch (Admission) hit the road once again and headed to Kingston for the Queen's Pub Night. A solid crowd of 40 welcomed the



QUEEN'S PUB NIGHT



# CLASS NOTES



Alumni Hall

## 1954 50th Reunion

William B. Stone, 30 Trails End, Collingwood, ON L9Y 5B1 stoney@thunderstar.net

**Timothy H.E. Reid** has been appointed Chair of the OLG (Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation) a 6 billion dollar industry. Tim is a past president of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce and offers four decades of management and advisory experience in government, academic and business environments.

## 1955

Peter M. Hutchison, 128 Morden Road, #8, Oakville, ON L6K 2R9 phutch@idirect.com

**Robert A. Grace** looks forward to a half-year home-based sabbatical from the University of Hawai Department



Bob Grace and family

of Civil and Environmental Engineering during the spring semester of 2004.

**John Noyes** is General Manager of Nissan Toyota Lexus in Santa Rosa, CA.

**Witold Weynerowski** played in the Canadian Senior men's match play golf championship, held in Newfoundland in 2003. He still spends five weeks in the summer in Poland at the family home.

## 1960

Douglas R. Tilley, 2363 Cavendish Drive, Burlington, ON L7P 3B5 dtilley@harperddl.com

**Timothy H. Rigby** was elected to a third term as mayor of St. Catharines, ON.

## 1961

Gordon Chaplin, 18 Brant Road North, Cambridge (G), ON N1S 2W1 gchaplin@cgtower.com

**Dr. John R. Grace** was awarded a Doctor of Science, honouris causa (D.Sc) at the fall convocation at University of

Western Ontario in October 2003. He has held many leadership roles in the field of chemical engineering, including past president of the Canadian Society of Chemical Engineering and is internationally known for his inventions. This is the 3rd honorary doctorate from the Class of '61, the others being David Dodge and Phil Lind.

## 1962

James H. Cairncross, 17 Eastbourne Avenue, Toronto, ON M5P 2E8 jca@idirect.com

**Norman R. Embree** has joined the local "Old Farts" Hockey Team. Don't be worried about his knee - it will probably be the downhill skiing, cross-country skiing, tennis, aquafit, fly-fishing or golfing that will end up doing it in. Although it sounds like all he does is have fun, he somehow finds time to work too!

## 1964 40th Reunion

H.M. 'Mac' Borden, 113 Rochester Avenue, Toronto, ON M4N 1N9 hmacb@sympatico.ca

**Gary F. Burroughs** was acclaimed to another term as mayor of Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON.



## 1966

Peter J. Scandrett, 48 Mathersfield Drive, Toronto, ON M4W 3W5 vanreespjs@aol.com

**E.R. Erskine Carter** teaches at Black Hawk College in Illinois and reports all is well.

**C.M. Victor Harding** is now a Senior Manager at Protectron, Canada's largest private security alarm company. A year ago, he won two World Squash Doubles Championships – the over 40's Mixed Doubles and the Men's Fifties.

**Bruce F. Wilkie** showcased his work in an Art Show "Over and Under" at the Bermuda Society of Arts 21 November 2003 in Bermuda.

## 1967

Brian A. Iggulden, Ridley College, Miller House, Box 3013, St. Catharines, ON L2R 7C3 brian\_iggulden@ridley.on.ca

**Simon Bruce-Lockhart** has 'come out of retirement' to accept the appointment as Head of Glenlyon-Norfolk School in Victoria, BC.

**Derwyn E.H. Rokeby-Thomas** with wife Nora has opened a B&B in Stratford, Ontario after living for a few years on Salt Spring Island, BC. This is Derwyn's way of 'slowing down to smell the roses' after a busy life which has so far seen him teach in Australia, run a successful chain of bakeries in the London, Ontario area, operate an Inn and Resort on Salt Spring. Derwyn promises to make our 40th.

## 1968

Anthony C. Dyson, 323-650 Lawrence Avenue W., Toronto, ON M6A 3E8 anthony@anthonydyson.com

**Dr. David M. Baer** is currently chief of Oncology at the Kaiser Permanente Medical Center in Oakland, CA.

**Paul S. Head** has plans to climb Mt. McKinley in Alaska in aid of research to cure Crohn's Disease. The climb is scheduled for May/June 2004.



Brian and Marilyn Martin (faculty) watching the Boys' Soccer team in Bermuda this past November, are joined by Jim Butterfield '70 and current parent Beau Franklin.

## 1970

David A. Jarvis, 55 St. Ives Crescent, Toronto, ON M4N 3B5 dj Jarvis@beardwinter.com

**Michael J. Moulden** is retiring at the end of March after 32 years of service for Stelco Hamilton, and will begin a new career with the Development Office at Ridley College. Welcome back Mike!

## 1971

Robert S. Stratton, 40 Golfdale Road, Toronto, ON M4N 2B6 strat40@rogers.on.ca

**I.A. Ross Reid** will serve as an interim deputy minister to the premier of Newfoundland. Ross headed up the Conservative election campaign. As deputy minister to the premier, he will continue to oversee the transition and restructuring phase of government. He will also handle the preparation of the new government's inaugural throne speech and first budget.

## 1973

Michael S. Hazell, CPI/Hazell & Associates, 1220 Yonge Street, Toronto, ON M4T 1B1 mhazell@hazell.com

**Peter R. Bennett** performed as Nathan Detroit in a production of Guys and Dolls at St. Clement's Church in Toronto, Ontario this past December.

**John D. Lambert** is now working for Inverness Capital Corp. in Toronto, ON.

## 1975

Timothy M. Steele, 152 Main Street, Box 10, Dashwood, ON N0M 1N0 pennywiz@hay.net

**Hiddo Mulder** along with this wife Cynthia and son Marcus are still in Fukuoka, Japan and plan on an eventual move to Panama where they have bought a little place on a Pacific island, a short ferry ride from the city. Hiddo is still flying for JAS/JAL.

**Donald W. Naylor** was recognized last year with the Award of Excellence in Landscape Architecture from the City of Mississauga Urban Design Awards and the Town of Markham Design Excellence Awards Program. Don is an assistant professor in the school of architecture, landscape and design at the University of Toronto where he teaches professional practice. He is the Ontario Association of Landscape Architects (OALA) representative to Region 1 of C.L.A.R.B., the licensing body for landscape architects in North America. He is in his final year on the Board of Directors at Craighleith Ski Club and is a level 2 snowboard instructor and race coach.

## 1976

William T. Hutton, 4441 Sawmill Valley Drive, Mississauga, ON L5L 3H8 bhutton@samuel.com

**M. Ross Orr** is President & CEO for BacTech Mining Corporation in Toronto, ON



## CLASSNOTES

### 1977

J.C. David Long, 148 Blvd. de La Petrusse, L-2330,  
LUXEMBOURG jcdlong@yahoo.ca

**Andrew R. Graham** recently moved to Saint Bruno, Quebec and is working at the Canadian Space Agency as Manager, Logistics Engineering.

### 1979 25th Reunion

Derek D. Fraser, 4038 West 10th Avenue, Vancouver, BC  
V6R 2H1 ddfraser@stgeorges.bc.ca

**D. Bruce Croxon** is Chairman and Chief Executive of Lavalife.com, a Toronto based online service for singles seeking personnel relationships. Bruce has been featured in several articles lately noting his superior management skills.

### 1981

F. Kelly Neill, 64 Glenridge Avenue, St. Catharines, ON  
L2R 4X1 k\_neill@ridley.on.ca

**Nigel Aplin** is living in Toronto and has been with MCAP, Canada's largest independent mortgage company, for ten years, currently in the position of Director, Investor Relations. He can also be found on winter weekends running from his wood-burning sauna and plunging through the ice at the Aplin family cottage east of Bracebridge. When the lakes thaw, he canoes through Ontario's wilderness parks - last summer in Quetico Park; this summer in Wabakimi Park.

**John Greenwood** is working at Scotia McLeod as Branch Manager/Investment Executive. He and his wife Karra are the proud parents of Jack (6), and Michael (3) with a third expected in May. John spent his 40th birthday last year in Vegas with Chip Pitfield, Dino Faes and Jim Rogers.

**Robert J. McMillan** recently purchased land for a new Volvo Dealership on Mavis Road in Mississauga, ON. The new dealership will be named McMillan Volvo. Rob has also co-founded a Motorcycle ride called TJ's ride. This is a charity Motorcycle ride in which all proceeds

benefit the Leukemia Research fund of Canada. This police escorted ride starts at McMillan & Saunders Volvo in Mississauga and takes a scenic route through the Caledon Hills, Halton and Milton and returns back to Mississauga for an after party. This is the third year for this event and Rob invites all who ride motorcycles to join them on July 18th. For more info please call 416/526-5587.

### 1982

William G.N. Drope, 34 Glenforest Road, Toronto, ON  
M4N 1Z8 will.drope@agf.com

**Catherine Cote** (nee Shea) opened Corbett Cote Gallery in Winnipeg.

**William G. N. Drope** is now working for AGF mutual funds.

### 1983

Anna L.B. Weber, 25842 N. Tennyson Lane, Stevenson  
Ranch, CA 91381 U.S.A. brightweber@earthlink.net

**Christopher H.N. Hull** has moved with his family from Ottawa to Damascus where he is now the Political Counsellor at the Canadian Embassy.

### 1984 20th Reunion

John D. Brunt, 192 Maplehurst Avenue, Toronto, ON  
M2N 3C2 jbrunt@mchayden.ca

**Brian A. Hutchings** is serving on the Ontario Trillium Foundation as a member of the grant review team. In December the Foundation provided a new Ford Windstar to the Ina Grafton Gage Village for use in their food services department. Brian also helped coach the Ridley First Football team this year, as he did last year, and his assistance is much appreciated by the school and the players.

### 1987

Robin E. Rankin, P.O. Box 683232, Park City, UT 84068  
U.S.A. robinr@xmission.com

**K. Alexandra MacDonald** continues to live in New York City where she works as the Editor/Director of the

Gynecology & Breast Services Academic Office at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Centre. When they can, she and her husband, Ayad Sinawi, spend time at their wee farmhouse on Cape Breton Island. They are expecting their first child in March 2004.

### 1988

David K. Carter, 10 Banbury Court, Aurora, ON L4G  
3M9 dk.cinc@sympatico.ca

**James E.G. Chaplin**, after 12 years in the Windy City has moved back to his home town of Cambridge, Ontario. Jim is opening up a new sales territory for his employer in Chicago, Plastic Film Corporation and is the Canadian Regional Sales Manager. The company buys and resells rolls of PVC film to the bookbinding industry (3 ring binders).

### 1989 15th Reunion

Sandra M. Ventin, P.O. Box 23373, D-Ring Road, Doha,  
QATAR pventin@cansult.com

**Philip Rudachuk** is President of the Niagara Falls Lion's Club. Kate S. Durdan School in Niagara Falls has established a link with this organization where they provide a program for teachers that promotes better tomorrows, today, for children.

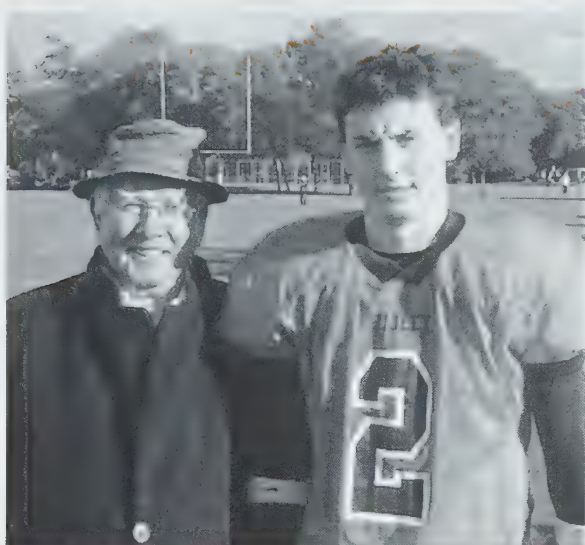
### 1990

Erin B. Mitchell, P.O. Box 297, Queenston, ON L0S 1L0  
erin@mitchellwestlake.com

**Lee E. Embree** left on 1 November 2003 for a year-long, around the world trip.

**Virginia Johnson** is living in Toronto where she designs her own line of resort wear. She illustrated her first set of books for designer Kate Spade, entitled "Style", "Occasions" and "Manners".





Mac Irwin with grandson Strat Allen '05, this past October.

## Samuel MacDonald 'Mac' Irwin 1927-2003

On December 24, 2003 Ridley lost one of its most faithful, caring and involved leaders – Samuel MacDonald 'Mac' Irwin. Born in June 1927, Mac came to Ridley for grade 12 in 1944. He proved to be a fine athlete at school captaining the first hockey team and playing quarterback on the first football team. He served as a 'senior boy', similar to a house prefect, recognition of his leadership abilities that came to be his hallmark in business and as he served Ridley later as a Governor.

After joining the family business, Mac rose through the ranks to eventually serve as Chairman of Irwin Toy as well as the Canadian Toy Association. Evidence of his stature amongst his industry peers can be found in the numerous tributes and donations received in his memory by the Ridley College Foundation from coast to coast in Canada and the U.S. as well as from the Far East.

Mac's service to Ridley and his fierce competitiveness were always in evidence at the games his sons George '69, David '71 and Peter '74 played. Whether on the football field, the hockey rink or cricket pitch one would see Mac cheering lustily with Ellie featuring black and orange scarves or other such Ridley apparel. Mac served the Board for many years eventually as Board Chair from 1977-1981. Mac joined the Foundation Trustees and was pivotal in establishing a Planned Gift Committee to encourage gifts of life insurance and bequests to secure the future for Ridley. Close to \$10 million is now on the Foundation books thanks to Mac's efforts in this area.

One of Mac's happiest moments came this past October when his grandson Strat Allen '05 played for his beloved Tigers at 'Old Boys Weekend' and helped secure the victory over UCC, with a timely interception as the close game drew to an end. No one smiled more broadly that day than a proud 'Grumps', as his 13 grandchildren fondly remember him.

Although Mac's life was defined by major achievements it was in the continuous small acts of kindness that so many came to know him best. He regularly mentored young people just starting out in life and the family home on MacLennan Avenue housed many more than just the Irwin clan over the years. There was a competitive edge to Mac but his crusty shell held a heart and soul filled with generosity, courage and kindness. Ridleians everywhere give thanks that Mac involved himself so deeply in their school and we extend heartfelt condolences to George, David, Peter and Patti-Ann and their families. It was our honour to have him touch our lives.

Terar Dum Prosim

## 1992

Graeme R. P. Scandrett, 1298 Hartford Turnpike, #11H, North Haven, CT 06473 U.S.A.  
gscandrett@alumni.williams.edu

**Simon M.Y. Chan** was admitted to the New York Bar in 2003. He now practises law in Hong Kong with Dorsey & Whitney, an American based law firm. His practice area is mergers and acquisitions.

**Brian A. Cooper** has moved with Scotiabank from the Netherlands Antilles to Port-of-Spain, Trinidad.

**Katherine D. Chyla** is on the board of Directors for Polish Scouting in Canada and editor of their magazine. She leads Scouts, Brownies and Beavers every Tuesday night.

**Stacey E. Graham** has left Westjet and is now working in the financial field for Insurancepay Canada.

**Suzanne Hallerman** is starting her own graphic design company in Portland, Oregon.

**Daniel P. Taylor** successfully defended his PhD. thesis at the University of Windsor. Congratulations Dan! His research is in Clinical Psychology – how body image affects self-esteem in adolescents and depression. Dan is teaching at the University of Ottawa.

## 1993

Matthew J. Picken, 202-800 King Street W., Toronto, ON M5V 3M7 mpicken@brascanfinancial.ca

**Christina Gural** was Called to the Ontario Bar in July 2003. As an immigration lawyer, she represents



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clients before the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada on a regular basis.

## 1994 10th Reunion

Allison A.C. Loat, 6A Hingham Street, Cambridge, MA 2138 U.S.A. aloat@canada25.com

**Tracy D. Moors** works with Torrent Capital doing equity trading. He is still coaching hockey and his bantam team has been on a great run.

## 1995

Allison Griffiths, c/o Westtown School, Box 1799, Westtown, PA 19395 U.S.A. allison\_griffiths@yahoo.com

**Daniel L. Beamer** is currently living in Etobicoke where he has just purchased his first condo. Presently he is working for ReMax.

**R. Cameron Tedford** has spent the last two years living in Toronto after spending three years in Europe (London and France). He is working for Commonwealth Legal, which supports the top 20 law firms in Canada. Cameron still enjoys hockey, telemarketing, golf and power boating but his newest passion is caddying. He was engaged by two CPGA pros for various events this past summer.

The Class of '95 Agents (Cam Tedford, James Goodliffe, Miranda Ionson,

Summer Nudel, Michelle Mandeville, Barb Tortorella, and Allison Griffith) are on a crusade to find people! If you are out there, please email your contact information to Allison at: allison\_griffiths@yahoo.com

## 1996

Bryan J. Rose, Ridley College, Box 3013, St. Catharines, ON L2R 7C3 bryan\_rose@ridley.on.ca

**Ramona R. DeSantis** is currently living in Boca Raton, Florida with her sister Joey '01 and is working as an accountant with a local firm. She graduated with her MBA with a major in Finance from Baylor University in May 2003. Ramona is working on completing her accounting hours to write her CPA exam in the fall.

**Amy M.L. Harvey** received a Masters of Science Degree with Honours from Trinity College University of Dublin, Ireland in February 2003.

**Heather R. Scott** is still at school! After getting her HBS in Astrophysics at University of Toronto, her MSc in Astronomy at University of Western Ontario and her BED at Brock University, she is now back at Ridley for her second full year of teaching Science and Math. She continues her work in astronomy as Education Coordinator of the Canadian Astronomical Society, and is engaged to be married in 2005.

## 1998

Natalie R. Iggulden, 44 Jackes Avenue, Apt. 2104, Toronto, ON M4T 1E5 natty09@hotmail.com

**William W. M. Chung** has just received his Masters Degree in Engineering from MIT and working for Thorton - Tomasetti Engineers in New York City.

**C. Blair Ferris** continues to live in western Canada having moved to Calgary last summer. Blair is attending school and works full time as a sales representative for Labatts.

**Nicholas A. Griffin** is spending four months in the Sudan with a foundation related to the Flying Doctors. The programme was established to provide self-help initiatives with native people.

**Sarah M. Lachowsky** has been living in Ireland for the past two years while working and playing rugby. She has played for two teams – the Bohemians RFC and was vice-captain for the Leinster team and according to her most recent weather reports, it ALWAYS rains in Ireland. Sarah wanted to let her Ridley friends know that she will be moving home in August and she is looking forward to catching up with old friends and having a few frosty beverages!



## W.C. 'BILL' MONTGOMERY Terar Dum Prosim

Bill died on February 20, 2004 at the St. Catharines General Hospital in his 79th year. Husband of Nan and father of Myra '77, Bill was the head groundskeeper at Ridley from 1959 until his retirement in 1990. Bill was also a great hockey enthusiast and he gave his skills to the school for 30 years. He did everything in the rinks -- from flooding them in the early days, to coaching the Seconds, to sharpening skates, to locking the building up at the end of the day. On the grounds side, the rose garden on the front drive is his creation. Jeff Murray (Merritt House '80) wrote an appreciative note applauding "that fine shepherd of A Squad", adding that "my appreciation of the Ridley grounds was due to Bill's work...I remember his uncanny skills in creating magical grounds out of [cricket] pitches torn up by use". One of Bill's crowning school moments is shown (at left) in an Ed Holl '78 photo showing Tim Reid '78, Mike Bunston '79 and Bill putting the first skates onto the ice surface in the new Griffith Rink in 1978. Donations in Bill's memory will help to endow the W.C. Montgomery hockey award.



**Charlotte M. McMichen** is keeping busy living in Toronto. She is finishing up her diploma in Business Marketing at George Brown and works at Indigo Bookstore.

**Jay C. Meyer** graduated with distinction, with a BA Comm. from the University of Victoria, with a concentration in Entrepreneurship in 2003. He is planning on working overseas in Asia for six months starting January 2004. While attending U Vic he helped start up an entrepreneurship competition ([www.gvec.ca](http://www.gvec.ca)) which is now in its third year of operations. His long term plans include entering the Masters of Architecture at UBC in the fall. He can be reached at [meyerj@uvic.ca](mailto:meyerj@uvic.ca).

**Katherine J. Tanner** returned from Australia last year after completing her teacher's certificate. She currently has her hands full teaching a 6th grade class.

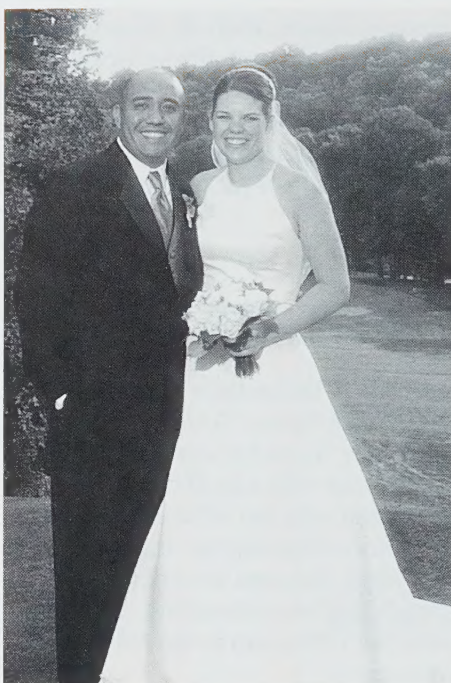
## 1999 5th Reunion

*Theodore R.D. Meighen, 4 Lampart Avenue, Toronto, ON M4W 1S6 [tedmeighen@hotmail.com](mailto:tedmeighen@hotmail.com)*

**W. Douglas Hatch** and other members of the Class of 1999 (and a few others) won the St. Catharines "A" Division City Championship in Ball Hockey. Congratulations to "The Shockers" for their big win. Members from the team include: **Doug Hatch '99**, **Adam Lampman '99**, **Marcus Manocha '99**, **Matt Lampman '01**, **Mark Hatch '01**, **Gary Sobchak '00**, **Mark Anderson McGaw '97** and **Craig Scott '97**.

**David C. Loftus** is finishing off his final year at the University of Arizona, graduating this August with his Masters in Finance.

**Keeley McCleary** has moved to Florence, Italy to continue her studies in Interior Design. Last June she completed her degree in Interior Design at La Salle College in Montreal. She loves Italy and hopes that whoever is in the area will come visit her.



*Aimee Rankin and husband Paul Oabel*

## 2001

*Rhiannon Davies, 12 Shorthill Place, Fonthill, ON L0S 1E3 [rd191@hotmail.com](mailto:rd191@hotmail.com)*

**Algernon Cargill** is in his Junior year at Cornell University in Ithica, NY. Algernon is in a cross-disciplinary program combining Biology and Social Science. He also is in his second year serving as a Residence Assistant on campus and is in the process of applying to U.S. Medical Schools.

**Michael B. Iggulden** captured the MVP Trophy while playing for the Cornell Big Red at the Florida Classic Hockey Tournament in December 2003.

## 2002

**Robert A. Hughes** is continuing to do well with the British Royal Marines. He just received his second promotion in two weeks. Two weeks after being made Second in Command of his Section, he was promoted to Section Leader. This is an amazing accomplishment considering the quality of the Royal Marines and Bobby is obviously doing extremely well and turning a few heads!

## Faculty

**Eva Riis-Culver** has been awarded the CFRE designation after successfully passing her examinations in December. This means Eva is a Certified Fund Raising Executive.

## Ex Faculty

**George L. Briggs** has been appointed to succeed Janet Lewis as Executive Director of CIS as of August 2004.

**Catherine Raaflaub** (née Parkinson) has accepted the position of Head of School for Strathcona-Tweedsmuir in Alberta effective July 2004.

## Marriages

**Jensa C.A. Bell '90** to Victor Morris on 21 February 2004 in New York.

**Kim Dorrington** (Faculty) to Geoff Irvine on 20 December 2003 in the Ridley College Memorial Chapel.

**Mark P. Fuller '78** to Diana on 25 July 2003 Ottawa, ON.

**Susan E. Picken '88** to **Shane Burch '88** on 9 November 2003 in the Ridley College Memorial Chapel. Other O.R.s who were in attendance include the bride's brothers, **Rob Picken '86** and **Matt Picken '93**, and best man, **David Carter '88**, **Elizabeth Kingstone '88**, **Andrew Lind '88**, **Susanne Coutts** (wife of **Rob Coutts '88** who could not attend), and **Jill Hopkins '83**.

**Aimee K. Rankin '94** to **Paul Oabel** on 9 August 2003 in London, ON. Sister **Amanda Rankin Lampard '88** was a bridesmaid. Others in attendance were **Scott Lampard '88**, **Alison Loat '94**, **Sarah Scandrett '94** and **Tom Hayman '43**

**Jocelynn M. Whiteley '95** to **Jason R. Boodram** on September 27, 2003 in Trinidad & Tobago, West Indies. Maid of honour was **Miranda Whiteley '97**.



## Births

**C. Martin Alexander '81**, a daughter Catherine Mary on 7 February 2004 in Trinidad.

**Robert D.M. Coutts '88**, twin girls Sophie Elizabeth McKellar and Chloe Rosemary Currie on 25 August 2003.

**Andrew D. Lind '88**, a son Griffin Reid on 27 November 2003 Toronto, ON.

**Renie L. MacLennan** (née Lynn Lamontagne) '93, a daughter Noa Shoshana Maerov on 20 December 2003 in Toronto, ON.

**Duncan M. McGregor '84**, twin boys James Feenan and McKenzie Roderick 3 January 2004 in Toronto, ON.

**Claire Preece '84**, a son Edward Charles Winston Savin on 28, December 2003 in Calgary, AB.

**Carter W. Siebens '82**, a son Dane William on 11 March 2004 in Calgary, AB.

**David W. Walker '83**, a son Benjamin Thomson 5 February 2004 in Burlington, ON.

**Terrance R. Witzel '79**, a son Michael Andrew, 16 January 2004 in Waterloo, ON.

## Deaths

**Gertude M. Bergemann**, (Exstaff) on 22 January at St. Catharines, ON.

**William B. Burt '30** on 15 November 2003 at Rockwood, ON.

**Edward P. 'Bill' Coy '30**, 12 December 2003 at Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON.

**John C. Cooper '41** on 23 December 2003 in Markham, ON.

**John B. Cronyn '39** on 23 February 2004 at London, ON.

**Dr. James A. Gibson** (Advisory Board Member) on 23 October 2003, at Ottawa, ON.

**Charles M. Glen '49** on 19 November 2003 at Guelph, ON.

**William F. Good '42** on 20 March 2003 at Wilmington, DE.

**Wilfred J. Hoover '42** on 18 October 2003 at Delhi, ON.

**Samuel M. Irwin '46** on 24 December 2003 in Toronto, ON.

**Victor N. Kyle '51** on 20 December, 2003 in Faribault, MN.

**Gordon T. MacNamara '35** on 22 February 2004 at Parry Sound, ON.

**John L.C. McCarthy '32** on 19 December 2003 in Toronto, ON.

**William C. Montgomery** (ExStaff) on 20 February 2004 at St. Catharines, ON.

**Robert B. Moran '29** on 26 January 2004 in Toronto, ON.

**John L. Murray '47** on 11 July 2003 in Mt. Tremblant, QC.

**Matthew A. O'Shaughnessy '00** on 23 December, 2004 in Brockville, ON.

**J. Paul B. Paris '36** on 2 September , 2002 in North Bennington, VT.

**Porter P. Pfohl '43** on 18 March 2004 in Williamsburg, PA.

**Stephen L. Souter '81** on 19 November 2003 at St. Catharines, ON.

**Angela M. Zuliani '88** on 11 March 2004 in Markham, ON.

## LAST IMPRESSIONS

I highly recommend you read the article and study the photo on the building of School House by Ridley archivist Paul Lewis. Construction of this great building, home to my office, was started 100 years ago and built in less than a year. I wonder - would that be possible today?

Not only is the building amazing but the photography as well. The photo on page 17 is a scan from a very old print. Before the advent of film, images were captured on a glass plate, coated with salted white of egg containing some potassium iodide. The plate was then left to dry, after which it was sensitized with an acid solution of silver nitrate. After exposure it was then developed in gallic acid. This process made for very fine detail and very high quality. However, it was very slow, with exposure times ranging between five and fifteen minutes - making architectural photography ideal. The archives has a number of these negatives, chronicling early Ridley life.

Look closely at the image on page 17 and you can see the construction shed, supports against the wall of the former chapel, a turret feature and the steps leading down to Twelve Mile Creek. A staff member has also pointed out the sewer line - still used today! This photograph was taken across the valley (the first Welland Canal) on Yates Street, the address of the original Ridley College - "Springbank".

Next time you are visiting the school I suggest you take a few minutes and visit the Archives, located in the lower level of School House. Many wonders await you - not in the least Paul Lewis. It's worth the trip!

*Anne E. Kubu*





*Finale from the end of Act 1, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*